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THE METROPOLITAN MUSEUM OF ART

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FEW YORK PAINTING AND SCULFTURE: 1940-1970 October 18, 1969 - Fobruary 1, 1970

DATES OF EXHIBITION: Work due at The Matropolitan Museum of Art: Beptember 1, 1969 LENDER: The Downtown Callery ADDRESS:465 Park Avenue New York, New York Exact form of leader's name for exhibition label and catalogue: Courtesy of The Downtown Gallery, New York NAME OF ARTIST: Stuart Davis TITLE OF WORK: Hot Stillscape in Six Colors MEDIUM OR MATERIALS: 011 on Canvas DATE OF WORK: 1940 _____ Does date appear on work? _____ Where? _____ SIGNATURE: Is the work signed? Yes Where? Upper Right SIZE: Painting, drawing, etc. Height 36" Width 45" (without frame) Height _____ (with frame) ____ Sculpture (without pedestal): Height ______ Width Depth ___ Approximate weight ____ CATALOGUE AND PUBLICITY: Unless permission to do so authorized to photograph and/or reproduce in any media the has been specifically dealed in writing by the lender at or object listed above for archival, educational, and publicity prior to the time this agreement is issued, the Museum is purposes, and for the Museum. Please send photographs uvuilable: Black & White _____; Color transparencies _____; Color slides _____ If not available, where can the Museum obtain photographs of this work? INSURANCE: A. Does lender wish the Museum to insure the work? _______ Insurance value of work \$ 100,000,00 B. Does lender elect to maintain his own insurance? Name of Insurer and address: Will the Metropolitan Museum as borrower be expected to pay premium? ____ If so, what is estimated cost of premium? If the lender elects to maintain his own insurance, the the Museum from any liability in connection with the loaned Museum must be supplied with a certificate of insurance property. The Museum will accept no responsibility for any naming the Metropolitan Museum as additional assured or error or deficiency in information furnished to the leader's waiving subrogation against the Metropoliten Museum of Art. insurers or for lapses in coverage. Otherwise, this loan agreement shall constitute a release of SHIPPING: Estimated date of shipment: ________mo.______mo.____ Point of departure: Type of carrier: _ Size of shipping case: ___ CONDITION REPORT: RETURN OF WORK: Name & address:_____ Recommended procedure: ___

Please return signed form, any photographic material or other attachments to The Registrar, Metropolitan Museum of Art.

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THE DOWNTOWN GALLERY

Established 1926

EDITH GREGOR HALPERT, Director Consultation by appointment only Felsphaner Masa 3-3707

ARK AVENUE NEW YORK, N. Y. 10022

April 19, 1969

To: Mr. James Harithas Director The Corcoran Gallery Of Art Washington, D.C. 20006

As we agreed, the entire consignment of John Storrs sculpture, paintings, drawings and graphics which we are consigning to you for the STORRS RETROSPECTIVE EXHIBITION are to be returned directly to the Downtown Gallery immediately after the show ends and the works are removed from the walls, pedestals and the vitrines. The items that are either purchased by The Corcoran Gallery or sold to collectors during the show are to be paid for directly to The Downtown Gallery, which will in turn be paid by us to the Storrs Estate (Mrs. M. Storrs-Booz).

I would very much like to have a copy of this letter (copy enclosed) acknowledged at once, with your signature and returned to the Downtown Gallery, as we discussed and agreed upon in our last conversation.

I look forward to the opening party which I will attend at your invitation and will be glad to see you and other friends.

EGH/monw Acknowledged by James Han Mas, D1/2

DAVIS . DOYE . KUNIYOSHI . G. L. K. MORRIS . OSBORN . RATTNER . SHAHN . SHEELER . SPENCER . STORRS . WERER . ZORACH M. BRODERSON . DEMUTH . HARTLEY . MARIN . O'KEEPPE . PATTISON . PRICE . STASACK . STELLA . TSENG YU-HO WM. M. HARNETT (1848-1892) - AMERICAN FOLK ART GALLERY, Established 1929

May 21, 1969

Miss Thelma Dawson Circulation Department St. Petersburg Times St. Petersburg, Florida 33731

Dear Miss Dawson:

Per your notification dated May 19th, we are enclosing herewith our check in the amount of \$2.00 to cover the complete charges for two copies of the March 2,1969 issue of the ST. PETERSBURG TIMES.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this request.

Sincerely,

Murrey M. Wax

MMW/me

Enc.: Check #5077

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918 Lindberg Road West Lafayette, Indiana 47906 June 21, 1969

American Folk Art Gallery 465 Park Avenue New York, New York

Dear Sir:

I am doing research for my doctoral dissertation in the Department of Related Art, School of Home Economics, University of Minnesota. My topic is the historic dress of the Church of the Brethren (Dunkers); who settled in Germantown, Pennsylvania, a suburb of Philadelphia, in 1719 to 1729.

I am interested in securing information concerning the oil painting "At the Loom --- c. 1795". It is illustrated in Lipman's book, American Primitive Painting, plate 49, and which says that it hangs in your gallery. It was also illustrated in Life magazine at the time that it was owned by Harpo Marx. I am unable to say which issue.

I see many points about the costume which compare to that of the Brethren. The cap, the cape and the dress. The lady is really quilting a quilt, the way my grandmother did, and not weaving.

Sould you tell me the story about the artist if known, the locale where it was painted, and if it has "connections" to any other painting?

Could I have a glossy black and white print of the painting and a colored postcard or print if you have one? May I have permission to use the black and white print for my disertation with proper ditation to the American Folk Art Gallery? Send bill to the above address.

Sincerely yours,

Ether F. Rypel

(Miss) Esther P. Rupel Assistant Professor Department of Clothing and Textiles Purdue University 9016 Costland PD. N.W. Washington D.C. 20008 21 June 1969

Dear Edith,

appointment was dispelled by the Star and Post almost as soon as we returned to washington, but since Now yorkers never hear about anything that happens outside Now york, you may not how seen the announcement.

Now let's hope I can do something for the art of our country and our day which will be out of the reach of the dilettantes and politicisms!

The Russian Bear was a real treat, and I know mangaret will never toyet the chance to meet the internationally famous dealer and champian of American and you were wonderfully Rospitable. Was come and see us in bashington. Offectionally,

The Beth Ha Gan School

TEMPLE ISRAEL OF GREAT NECK 108 Old Mill Road, Great Neck, N. Y. HUnter 2-7821

EVA W. SUBSMAN, Director

May 15th, 1969



Gentlemen:

I have just returned from Pusan, Korea, where I met Mr. Park (it is Pak in Korean, but all Paks, like Korea's president, Park Ching Hee, anglicize the name to Park) and I was much impressed and thought to saw his art work. try to introduce his art to the American art scene. Mr. Park (using the nom de plume 'Il Pa') produces work which is sensitive, beautiful and traditionally original. an imitator. Viewing his pictures is toyful and a resulte from some of the abrasiveness and courseness that is so much a part of today's scene.

I brought home 4 of his paintings, as well as some slides to show.

Are you at all interested?

I do this for no other reason than the love of art and the realization of the truth of a Talmudic remark to the effect that if you help a man achieve recognition, it is like giving him birth all over again,

I can be reached at HUnter 7-5072.

Thank you for any attention you can give this request.

Sincerely,

EWS/b

#8 Berkshue Rd.

Train up the child in the way he should go: And when he is older, he will not depart from it.

Eva W Sus

THE DOWNTOWN GALLERY

STATEMENT

May 1, 1969

NEW YORK, N. Y. 10022 Telephone: Plaza 3-3707

Mr. Robert I. Bobrow

Picatinney Road

Morristown, New Jersey

March 29, 1969

#11390 ABBOTT PATTISON

ANCESTRAL TOTEM, 1967

5500.00

April 4, 1969

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May 10, 1969

Mr. James Harithas, Director The Corcoran Gallery Of Art Washington, D.C. 20006

Dear Jime

I have been so preoccupied that I did not have a chance to write to you earlier. However, I want to tell you how much I enjoyed my stay in Washing-ton, and especially so to see the Storrs Exhibition arranged so perfectly. It was pleasant to hear such enthusiastic remarks from the visitors and I hope you, too, are happy about the show.

Incidently, I can't seem to locate the catalogue. I would be most grateful if you would send me some. Actually, I need at least two - one for display, and one for our archives.

Very best regards.

As ever.

EGH/mms/

ART DEALERS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA, INC. 575 Madison Avenue New York, N.Y. 10022

June 17, 1969

TO: ALL NEW YORK MEMBERS
(For information of other members)

A new New York statute, effective September 1, 1969, deals with the relationship between artists and dealers. I am enclosing a copy of that statute. In summary, it provides:

- 1. When an artist, or if he is deceased, his heirs or representatives, delivers a work of art to a dealer for exhibition or sale, on a commission, fee or similar basis, the work is deemed to be on consignment, i.e. the dealer has no right of possession or title superior to that of the artist. The dealer is deemed to be the agent of the artist.
- 2. Any work of art so delivered is trust property in the hands of the dealer, for the benefit of the artist.
- 3. Any proceeds from the sale of such work are trust funds in the hands of the dealer for the benefit of the artist.
- 4. Works received on consignment remain trust property even if purchased by the dealer for his own account, until the price is paid in full to the artist. If the dealer thereafter re-sells the work to a third party, the entire proceeds of sale are trust property in the hands of the dealer to the extent necessary to pay any balance still due to the artist on the dealer's purchase.
- 5. Any provision of a contract whereby the artist waives the foregoing provisions is void except as follows:
- a. An artist may waive the "trust fund" provision if the waiver is in writing and signed by the artist.
- b. No waiver is valid with respect to the first \$2,500 of gross proceeds of sales of the artist's works in any twelve-month period beginning with the date of the execution of the waiver.
- c. No waiver is valid with respect to any work consigned by the artist and subsequently purchased by the dealer.





THE MONTCLAIR ART MUSEUM

WILLIAM L. DILL, JE., PRESIDENT KATHRYN E. GAMBLE, DIRECTOR

SOUTH MOUNTAIN AND BLOOMHEID AYBNUES MONTCLAIR, NEW JERSEY 07042 TEL, 746-5555

April 29, 1969

Mr. Murray M. Wax The Downtown Gallery 465 Park Avenue New York, New York 10022

Dear Mr. Wax:

Enclosed with this note is your consignment form which I have signed and I am returning at your request.

We have the painting by Arthur G. Dove entitled CARNIVAL, dated 1935 (34 X 22) on approval and are in the process of showing it to the various members of the board of trustees to secure their approval. We shall attempt to accomplish this as soon as possible.

Meanwhile, my sincere thanks to Edith Halpert and to you for talking with Dr. Milton Luria and offering this painting for our consideration through his good offices as a member of our Art Committee.

Sincerely,

Kathryn E. Gamble

Director

KEG; ab enclosure

5/14/69- Per phone conversation-This Hamble advised, Board of Trustees voted to purchase Check to follow. Lee Invoice # 11400 - 5/15/69

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May 6, 1969

Mr. Roy C. Craven, Director University Gallery University Of Florida Gainesville, Florida 32601

Dear Mr. Craven:

I have to be a bore, but I have written to you previously regarding obtaining photostats of reviews relating to the Kuniyoshi Exhibition. If nothing appeared in the press, do let me know; but, if any did appear I would be most grateful for the photostate and will be glad to pay you for the expenses involved.

Because I am utterly exhausted, largely due to the lack of help I have and the many requests for one-man and group shows all over the country, I doubt whather I can make the trip to Washington for the Kuniyoshi Exhibition Opening at the Smithsonian Institution. The plane service is incredibly bed. This week I was sitting in a plane in Washington for 34 hours because something had occurred to the plane and the pilot couldn't move it for that entire period. Travelling has become impossible these days! Besides, the show was so well hung and looked so good in Gainesville, that I can probably skip this event and take it easy.

Very best regards.

Sincerely,

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WIELLAND A. RUMIC 2444 Melandy Drive Sun Carlos, California 94070

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19 June 1969

Dear Mrs. Halpert:

This is to confirm my call to you this afternoon regarding the Dove photograph which you thought could be sent out to Mr. Hunter sometime next week. The information on the work is: Dove - Abstraction #2, 1910, oil. I neglected to ask you if you would be able to send a photograph (for study purposes) of Arthur Dove's Connecticut River, 1911-II, which is in your own personal collection.

Mr. Hunter's address is: 451 West End Ave. New York New York 10024

Thank you for your help.

Jane Wolles

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THE CORCORAN GALLERY OF ART

WASHINGTON, D. C. 20006

JAMES HARITHAS DIRECTOR OF THE GALLERY

April 21, 1969

638-3211 AREA CODE 202

Mr. Murray M. Wax The Downtown Gallery 465 Park Avenue New York, N.Y. 10022

Dear Mr. Wax:

Thank you for your letter of April 17 and the completed loan form for Storrs' ABSTRACT FIGURE, 1934. Enclosed are forms for OPPOSING FORMS, 1932 and NEW YORK, c 1925. I assume the former will not be included in the Ollendorff shipment to Washington, Tuesday, April 22. Would it be possible for you to make arrangements to crate and ship the plaque to us? Please send by Air Express, Collect, Protective Signature Service, to my attention.

I think it best if I wait to send the loan forms for the drawings until after they have arrived. I assume you will make arrangements to send the drawings to us. If it is inconvenient, please contact Mr. Zamprelli at Ollendorff's for assistance.

I thank you for your kind cooperation and if there are any problems please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Martha Morris Registrar

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WILENSKY

May 14, 1968

Dr. I. J. Wilinsky 1250 St. Paul Street Rochester, New York 24621

Dear Dr. Wilinsky:

As you requested, I am supplying below the current valuation for insurance purposes of your painting by Yasuo Kuniyoshi.

ODD THINGS ON A TABLE, 1935 011 40x30^H \$9000.

Sincerely yours,

EGH/tm

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June 12, 1969 Mr. Joseph Green, Secretary Library Arts Council of Cleremont Fiske Free Library Claremont, New Hempshire 03743 Dear Mr. Green: Your letter of June 10th has been received. Please be advised that Mrs. Edith Gregor Halpert who is the Director of this Gallery is preoccupied with an exhibition here in the Gallery which will take a good deal of her time. In order for her to make any valid suggestions to you it would be necessary for her to make a trip to Claremont, and at this time it would be impossible for her to make a trip anywhere. Furthermore, since there is such a shortage of help in New York her presence here is indeed necessary. It seems to me that it would be much more advantageous to you to refer to a small museum in your vicinity which has had experience in deteloping interest in the local community, and perhaps has had a representative coming into New York to make personal selections for any specific theme or period or for exhibitions of specific artist's works. Sincerely, Murray M. Wax

April 27, 1969

Mrs. Edith Gregor Halpert The Downtown Gallery 465 Park Avenue New York, N.Y. 10022

Dear Mrs. Halpert:

I'm writing to ask if you will, keeping my original \$400 payment as rent, permit me to cancel my contract for purchasing the Morris Broderson "Cats - Fish Market, Lisbon" and to return the painting to you.

Last September, when I first saw the painting, my financial position was such that I was sure I had enough cushion to easily afford the painting (which was why, as you remember, I reserved it without even knowing what the exact price would be). Since that time, the stock market having declined, my income has shrunk to the extent of making most difficult a substantial outlay for a painting.

I should have, admittedly, "seen the writing on the wall" when you first replied to my request in February, but by that time I had for so long looked forward to having the painting that I got carried away and forgot about the gloomy path the market was taking. Now that income tax time has come and gone I have had ample time to reflect on what seems, unhappily, to have been my folly.

I hope that you will accept my sincere regrets and also my apologies for any inconvenience this transaction has caused you, and that you will release me from this purchase. Please be good enough to write me as soon as possible, as I would hope to have the painting back in your hands before the end of next month, when the second payment is due. As soon as I hear from you I will make arrangements to have the painting crated and shipped.

With sincerest appreciation,

Enid K. Dillon

8162 Kirkwood Drive

Los Angeles, Calif. 90046

141-11 71st Avenue Flushing, New York 11367

6 May 69

American Folk Art Council 465 Park Avenue New York, New York

Gentlemen:

Last July, I wrote to you about the folk art collection of the late E. Eddy Nadel.

As administrator of Mr. Nadel's estate, I am trying to dispose of Mr. Nadel's collection is such a way as to honor his memory and perpetuate his life's work and, at the same time, to obtain a price that is commensurate with the value of the collection.

Enclosed you will find an inventory list and a description of the Nadel Collection as well as a "Tribute to E. Eddy Nadel" which appeared in May, 1968 in "The Beacon" which is the publication of the International Institute of Boston.

I would appreciate an early reply if you are interested in purchasing this collection so that I and my attorney can arrange a schedule of viewings of the collection. I will entertain offers for parts of the collection although it is my intention to first discuss offers from purchasers who wish to but the collection in its entirety.

Thank you for your interest.

Emmanuel Rosen,

Administrator of the Estate of

E. Eddy Nadel

ER/j

Enc. 7

JEFFERSON GALLERY

1014 NORTH DOHENY DRIVE LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90069

1 July 1969

Mrs. Edith Gregor Halpert The Downtown Gallery 465 Park Avenue New York, New York 10022

Dear Edith:

Summer is finally here in California! That means the fog bank has dispersed (or at least gone back to sea) and we finally have the "famous" weather.

Just took on consignment the enclosed (photo) oil by Stuart Davis entitled MATCHES, 1927. It measures 21 x 26, frameds in a silver molding of Davis' own design and given to the brother of his first wife, Bessie, in 1931 as a wedding present. They asked you for an appraisal during the year 1958 so you may have some info on it in your files.

It is in fine condition - very strong - and certainly an example from the EGGBEATER period.

Off to summer vaction with the children for the worth of July; then home for a few weeks and I'm still planning on coming to New York in order to work with you for the month of September. It looks like I'll have some settlement of my father's estate by then and I will buy some WORKS OF ART. My hopes are to get that projected DOVE exhibit going again. The West Coast needs him and so do I.

Have a good summer.

Affectionately,

Tom-

JTJ:jn Encl.

FRATELLI FABBRI EDITORI

di G. D. R. FABBRI & C. s.a.s. PUBLISHERS - EDITEURS - VERLAG - EDITORES 20138 Milano, Via Mecanata 91

Our ref. 183/IF/gs

Milan, July 1, 1969

Miss Edith Gregor Halpert Director to The Downtown Gallery 465 Park Avenue NEW YORK/N.Y. 10022

Dear Madam,

we are submitting you, here-below, a request covering our editorial activity, trusting you might help us.

We ask you to mail us, at your earliest convenience, a color transparency of the following:

- Arthur Dove: The Critic, 1925

included in your Collection, authorizing us to reproduce it in our series "Mensili d'Arte".

As you certainly know, it was inserted in the documentation of issue no. 57 of our Modern Art Encyclopedia: unfortunately, we cannot use color selection, since the painting will be published in a different size.

Besides, please specify all the pertinent data, regarding date, size and technique, in order to avoid any possible mistake.

Hoping you will understand our urgency, we look forward to hearing from you soon and are, with our sincere regards,

Yours Very Truly

Uff. Autorizzazioni Fotografiche (Mrs. Ilia Ferrari)

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April 17, 1969

Miss Martha Morris, Registrar The Corcoran Gallery of Art Washington, D.C. 20006

Dear Miss Morris:

Enclosed you will find the completed form for ABSTRACT FIGURE, 1934 by John Storrs, Bronze, which you sent to us on April 4th. This sculpture was picked up on Tuesday, April 15th, 1969 with the other sculpture and paintings.

We have also located the Bronze Plaque entitled OPPOSING FORMS, 1932 size: 10½" X 9 3/4". We used the form which you had sent to record Study In Architectural Form, 1927 which we sent as an additional work, and will require a form for this work.

We are still in the process of organizing the prints and drawings that will be included in the exhibition. Do you want to send blank forms for these, or would you prefer to send the loan agreement forms after they arrive in Washington?

Thank you for your help and cooperation.

Sincerely,

M. Wax

MMW/me

In the event any of you are unable to visit on the weekend of August 8th, we shall be delighted to welcome you and your friends on any other weekend - July 4th through August 15th - or at any time during the week.

Enclosed is a schedule of Visiting Artists' weekends which may be of help to any who cannot make the August 8th weekend in selecting another weekend.

Also enclosed is a self-explanatory form. If you will complete the form and return it at your earliest convenience, it will help immensely in permitting us to make all necessary reservations.

We shall look forward to your visit at whatever time.

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May 13, 1969

Mr. Kneeland McNuity Curator of Prints & Drawings Philadelphia Museum of Art P.O. Box 7646 Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19101

Dear Mr. McNulty:

Please accept my thanks for the Catalogue Raisonne by Carl Zigrosser of <u>The Complete Etchings of John Marin</u> and the companion publication by Sheldon Reich of John Marin's oils, watercolors and drawings.

Although I have looked very carefully, I have been unable to locate the xerox copy of the New York Times review you mentioned. If it is not too much trouble for you, would you please send me another copy for our archives.

Thank you again.

Sincerely,

EGH/mme

P.S. I deeply regret that I was unable to make the trip to see the Marin exhibition.

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WHITNEY MUSEUM OF AMERICAN ART

945 Madison Avenue at Seventy-Fifth Street New York, New York 10021 (212) 249-4100

MEMORANDUM TO: The Friends of the Whitney Museum of American Art

As you may know, the Friends' Council acts in an advisory capacity to the Museum Trustees. Members of the Friends' Council are elected for two year terms in the Spring.

The Nominating Committee, consisting of David A. Prager, Chairman, Mrs. Joel W. Harnett, and Hudson D. Walker, proposes for re-election the following Council members: Mrs. Joel W. Harnett, Donald H. Karshan, Mrs. Oscar Kolin, Mrs. Albert A. List, Mrs. Matthew A. Meyer, Mrs. Henry L. Moses, David A. Prager, Mrs. Charles I. Rostov, Herbert M. Rothschild, Mrs. Derald H. Ruttenberg, Richard Salomon, Eugene M. Schwartz, Mrs. Otto L. Spaeth, Hudson D. Walker.

The Nominating Committee also proposes the election of the following new members for two year terms: Mrs. Rudolph B. Schulhof, Mrs. Samuel A. Seaver, Charles Simon.

Other members of the Council, whose terms expire next year, are: Joseph James Akston, Larry L. Aldrich, Robert Anthoine, Lee A. Ault, Lester Avnet, Mrs. Robert M. Benjamin, William Benton, Donald M. Blinken, Lawrence H. Bloedel, Selig S. Burrows, Nathan Cummings, Mrs. John Elliott, Jr., Allan D. Emil, Irving Mitchell Felt, Henry A. Grunwald, Mrs. William A. Marsteller, Mrs. Girard L. Spencer.

The Nominating Committee nominates the following officers for one year: Mrs. Matthew A. Meyer, Chairman, Eugene M. Schwartz, Vice-Chairman, Lawrence H. Bloedel, Secretary.

Please indicate your approval or disapproval on the enclosed ballot and return it to the Museum at your earliest convenience.

June 1969

July 2, 1969

Mrs. Joan Apt 40 Woodland Road Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15232

Dear Mrs. Apt:

I regret the delay in answering your letter - but I have been away and am finally going through the huge amount of mail that was held for me.

Naturally, I am delighted that you <u>love</u> your Broderson. Broderson is among the few of the young artists who give tremendous pleasure to those who have acquired his work.

Although we have been discouraged to act as appraisers, I can tell you that a painting of the quality and size would be priced at \$3,200.00 now and I would suggest that you raise your insurance figure.

I hope you will have occasion to be in New York before we close for our summer vacation during the month of August.

With best regards,

Sincerely yours.

EGH/mmw

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April 22, 1969

Cirker's Hayes Storage Warehouse, Inc. 305 East 61st Street New York, New York

Gent lemen:

Some time ago I wrote to you stating that no one may be admitted to our storage rooms; and, am therefore writing to you now to state that two current employees of the Downtown Gallery have been asked to check some of the inventory and to remove certain items to be transferred to the Gallery for a forth-coming exhibition. The names are:

Douglas Lee Frances Moff

Shortly, after, we will return some of the things, so please keep the rooms for us. I am still hoping you will have at least one large room to rent where we can have easy access to examine individual objects and have them photographed for our records.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

EGH/mmw

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THE PORTLAND ART ASSOCIATION PORTLAND ART MUSEUM . MUSEUM ART SCHOOL SOUTHWEST PARK AND MADISON . PORTLAND, OREGON 97205 . 227-3626

May 19, 1969

The Downtown Gallery 465 Park Avenue New York, New York 10022

Gentlemen:

We wrote on March 24, inquiring as to the availability and price range of any works by Georgia O'Keefe you might have. We are planning to make decisions during the first week of August on which works by living American artists we will purchase.

We would like to hear from you.

Sincerely,

Rachael Griffin

Rachael

Curator

dft

April 11, 1969

Mr. George J. Perutz 11405 St. Michaels Drive Dalles, Texas 75230

Dear Mr. Perutz:

I deeply regret that there was an unusual mixup in connection with your check. It was mislaid by a temporary employee and was recently discovered and deposited on april 8, 1969, after being credited to your account.

I promise this will not happen again as we now have someone who is afficient.

Best regards.

Sincerely,

EGH/mmw

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Gentlemen: Dag Mes. Hacket?

You should now have the unsold items back from W.S. Budworth. Kindly return our receipt indicating safe arrival, so insurance can be terminated.

In order to settle our accounts, please forward a statement in duplicate for the sold items.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely

Mrs. Thomas N. Bentley

Registrar

4/11/69

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CABLE ADDRESS
KRONLIES-NEW YORK

July 2, 1969

Chase Manhattan Bank 410 Park Avenue New York, N. Y.

Att: Mr. S. Joseph DiBitetto
Assistant Treasurer

Gentlemen:

Justice Mangan of the Supreme Court, State of New York, issued an order staying all proceedings on the part of the plaintiffs, the sheriff and all other parties in connection with the judgments and executions issued in the case of Zorach v. Halpert. Such proceedings are stayed until determination of a motion to open the default judgments. In addition, the levy served upon the bank by the sheriff is continued and the defendants are prohibited from interfering with that levy.

The effect of the court's order is to prohibit the bank from paying out any monies to any person under the aforesaid executions but to maintain the levy so that the funds demanded by the sheriff must be maintained in the bank until determination of the motion. As soon as I receive a copy of the court's order I will send it to you.

If you have any questions about this please feel free to call me.

Sincerely yours,

DEE: SE

David N. Ellenhorn

cc: Edith G. Halpert

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June 24, 1969

Mr. Joseph Tanenbaum 66 Deepdale Drive Great Neck, L.I., N.Y.

Dear Mr. Tanenbaum:

In going through my followup file, I found the carbon copy of my letter addressed to you on May 5th regarding the \$2900.00 balance due on the Kuniyoshi painting.

Shortly after that we received a check for \$500.00 on account for the purchase which you had made in May 1967 - thus leaving a belance of \$2400.00 unpaid.

I will be most grateful if you would do something about this as the artists' estate has called a number of times about it.

I hope that you will attend to this shortly and will come in to say hello and see our fascinating current exhibition of American Folk Art.

Best regards,

Sincerely,

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June 30, 1969

Mr. Sam Hunter 451 West End Avenue New York, New York 10024

Attention: Miss Jane Welles:

Dear Miss Welles:

Your post card request to Mrs. Halpert has come to my attention.

Enclosed herewith you will find the photographs of the two (2) works by Arthur G. Dove about which you enquired. Also enclosed is a small bill to cover the cost of the photographs and the mailing.

Thank you again for your interest.

Sincerely,

Murray M. Wax,

MMW/me Enclosures

Sent Lies 4/170

May 1, 1969

Mr. James Pilgrim Curator The Corcoran Gallery of Art Washington, D.C. 20006

Dear Jimi

Mrs. Halpert has asked me to advise you immediately to remove the name of MR. DAVID ELLENHORN from the list of guests who will attend the opening of the STORRS EXHIBITION tomorrow evening. Unfortunately he cannot attend.

Very Best Regards to all.

Sincerely,

Murray M. Wax

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May 10, 1969

Mrs. Alfred Kreymborg 25 Gurley Road Stamford, Connecticut 06902

Dear Dorothy:

Forgive me for the lengthy silence since our last correspondence. A new employee misfiled your letter and it was not until several days ago that I located it - and I want to make sure that you are still at the same address.

After a whole year, I finally managed to sell the Maurer which as you will recall was in had shape. I found an excellent restorer who did a skillful job, and right after it was returned to us we had it appropriately framed to make it completely desirable. The picture was sold, and when I am sure of your address I will send you the check.

I hope that you are well and happy and that I will hear from you shortly.

Affectionately,

EGH/mm



June 23, 1969

Mr. Warren H. Robbins Masseum of African Art 316-318 A Street Mortheast Capitel Mill, Washington, D.G.

Bear Warren:

After these many years, I have finally succeeded in engaging a young man who is willing to hang paintings as well as place sculpture, and this week he will come to my apartment and help me set up my personal collection or items I shlected for my personal pleasure.

This ofcourse, includes my BAKOTA KASE which you borrowed from me a long long time ago and which I miss tremendously.

Will you be good enough to have this returned to me and advise me when I may expect it.

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State - New Jersey

April 23, 1969

Mr. Kenneth W. Prescott Director, State Museum Cultural Center Trenton, New Jersey 08625

Much as I would like to be of help to you, I cannot lend you the two paintings which you request in your letter of April 21, since Ben Shahn is no longer associated with this Gallery and I have never competed with an artist, his estate or another gallery.

These are personal property of mine and I plan to present them to some institution subsequently. At this time I do not wish to losn them for exhibition or for sale.

Sincerely,

EGH/mm

cc: Mrs. Leah Sloshberg

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THE TOLEDO MUSEUM OF ART

MONROE STREET AT SCOTTWOOD AVENUE, TOLEDO, OHIO 43601

OTTO WITTMANN, DIRECTOR

April 10, 1969

Mrs. Edith Gregor Halpert Downtown Gallery Ritz Tower Concourse 465 Park Avenue New York, New York 10022

Dear Mrs. Halpert:

Art for Collectors IV was a great success here. About half of the items in the exhibition were sold to collectors in the Toledo area, and the value of works purchased exceeded previous records in this series of exhibitions.

I am most grateful for your cooperation in making works of art available to our area's collectors, and look forward to your cooperation in future Art for Collectors exhibitions.

Thank you for helping to make the exhibition the success it was.

Sincerely,

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Director

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June 5, 1969

Mr. S. Dillon Ripley, Secretary The National Collection of Fine Arts The Smithsonian Institution Washington, D.C. 20560

Dear Mr. Ripley:

Your invitation to the preview of Les Levine's cybernetic sculpture arrived today, and I am pleased to have received it.

Unfortunately, the exhibition of American Folk Art which we have been working on here in the Gallery has had to be postponed, and will open just about that time, and as such I will be unable to attend the preview.

Very best regards,

Sincerely,

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STORRS EXHIBITION - CORCORAN

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SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION
Washington, D.C. 20560
U.S.A.

June 10, 1969

Mrs. Edith Gregor Halpert The Downtown Gallery 465 Park Avenue New York, New York 10022

Dear Edith:

I did enjoy the James Storrs show at the Corcoran Gallery. It was well done, and reminds one that he was a tower of strength and innovation in the beginning of the abstract movement in this country. It shows once again your taste and prescience, for I know that you were a great collector of his work.

We plan to be in Litchfield a good deal of July and August, and hope you will come over and see us some time at the farm? I thought you might be amused by the nice article which appeared by Phil Casey in the Washington Post, about our life in Litchfield. Come see us.

Best wishes and regards,

Sincerely yours,

S. Dillon Ripley Secretary I hope you are pleased with the exhibition which you hung exceedingly well; and, I was also excited with the Eakins section which was a great surprise to me.

With best regards,

Sincerely,

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THE TOLEDO MUSEUM OF ART

MONROE STREET AT SCOTTWOOD AVENUE, TOLEDO, OHIO 43601

OTTO WITTMANN, DIRECTOR

Box 1013

April 23, 1969

Mr. Murray M. Wax

The Downtown Gallery

465 Park Avenue

New York, New York 10022

Dear Mr. Wax:

The gentleman who visited your gallery, who is also the purchaser of the two Dove watercolors which were exhibited in our Art For Collectors IV Exhibition, was Mr. Julian Kaplin. Mr. Kaplin is an attorney in this city, and is a collector of some knowledge and seriousness of purpose. He may be reached at his office in the National Bank Building on Madison Avenue in this city or at his residence at 2829 Westchester Drive, Toledo, 43606.

The payment for these two works will be made through the Museum. In this way, we avoid any kind of embarrassing non-payment on the part of the purchaser. The purchaser was required to pay for the work here at the Museum and the money was simply put into a fund marked "Art For Collectors." As soon as all the things have been returned, we then will send a check to the galleries for the amount of the purchases involved.

I hope that this information will be of use to you for your files.

Sincerely yours,

John W. Keefe Assistant Curator

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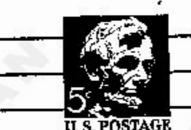
May 16, 1969_

ADELAIDE L. GAYLOR
GLENWOOD LANDING
LONG ISLAND, N. Y. 11847

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Mr. Sam Hunter USI West End Ave. New York, New York 10024



Mrs. Edith Halpert The Downtown Gallery 165 Park Avenue New York, New York May 1, 1969

Mrs. E. D. Kaulback
Assistant Educational Director
The Butler Institute of American Art
524 Wick Avenue
Youngstown, Ohio 44502

Dear Mrs. Kaulback:

Thank you for your letter requesting a Ben Shahn Catalogue for the Exhibition held March 3-28, 1959.

Please be advised that by mutual agreement we have not represented Ben Shahn for several years.

We delayed replying to your letter, in an attempt to locate one of these catalogues for you; however they are inaccessibly filed in our warehouse. We, as well as the warehouse, have had difficulty in relation to proper and adequate employees, and have not been able to locate them. We are therefore retaining your letter until such time that they are found. At such time, hopefully, we will forward a copy to you.

Sincerely,

EGH/mm

HEATH'S GALLERY 42 PUNDE DE LEUN AVE., N. E. - ATLANTA BA. 30308 . YELEBHONE DE LACE

May 10, 1969

Mrs. Edith Halpert The Downtown Gallery 465 Park Avenue New York, New York 10022

Dear Mrs. Halpert:

The pieces sent to us on January 30, 1969 (your involce #7871) are being crated today and will be picked up tomorrow. They are being sent to you care of Budsworth.

Two copies of each press release were sent to you. I am sure if you check your files you will find them.

The following pieces were sold from the show:

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OUR ADVANCE SALES GUARANTEE, CHECK #838, Nov. 15, 1968

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Sincerely,

David C. Heath

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May 16, 1969

Mrs. Eva W. Sussman 8 Berkshire Road Great Neck, L.I., N.Y.

Dear Mrs. Sussman:

Much as I would like to cooperate with you, I regret to state that about three years ago we decided to make no additions to our roster under any circumstances. This, added to the fact that we have concentrated on art produced in America only, makes it impossible for us to consider the work of Mr. Parks.

There are so many galleries in New York today and I am sure you will have no difficulty in locating one to represent this artist.

Sincerely,

ECH! mmm

April 22, 1969

Mr. James Harithas, Director The Corcoran Gallery of Art Washington, D.C. 20006

Dear Mr. Harithas:

On Saturday, April 19th we sent you a copy of the consignment for the Storrs Exhibition to be held at The Corcoran Gallery from May 2 - June 9, 1969. On that consignment there were four (4) items which did not have prices. Mrs. Halpert has now given me the prices for them. They are as follows:

Ink Drawing - Untitled-Sketch for Industrial Forms, 1920 - 2 1/8"X12 1/8" \$225.00

Ink Drawing - Untitled-Sketch for Forms in Space, 1923 - 12"X8" \$150.00

Ink Drawing - Untitled -Architectural Theme, Undated - 6"X13 1/8" \$190.00

Bronze Plaque - OPPOSING FORMS, 1932 104"X0 3/4" \$950.00

Won't you please be good enough to enter these prices on your copy of the consignment so that you will have all of the pertinent information readily hardy.

We are also still awaiting advice concerning whether these works will be picked up, or as to whether we should proceed to ship them.

Very best regards from Mrs. Halpert and the rest of us.
Sincerely,

Murray M. Wax

MMW/me

MARGARET WATHERSTON INC.

44 West 77th Street, New York, N.Y. 10024 . ENdicott 2-5514

Conservation of Paintings

June 14, 1969

Mrs. Edith Halpert The Downtown Gallery 465 Park Avenue New York, N.Y. 10022

RESTORATION OF PAINTING

ARTHUR G. DOVE - "Arrangement" wax and oil emulsion on canvas, 27" x 36", dated 1944.

Surface has chipped in several places and shows drying crackle in the dark areas and cleavage between paint layers.

Restoration Treatment: Painting has been treated with water and chemicals on vacuum table to

correct interlayer cleavage and flatten areas of cracking. It was then lined with wax resin adhesive and fiberglass lining fabric. After lining, it was mounted on a Honeycomb panel with further wax resin adhesive and pure linen counter-mounted on the back of the panel. The vacuum table was used in both cases. Surface losses were filled with Gesso and inpainted with dry color in synthetic resin varnish. Surface will be cleaned with CycloHexane and sprayed with synthetic resin (Polyvinyl Acetate in Toluene and Elvacite 2044 and 2045 in Petroleum Benzine).

FOR THE RECORD ONLY

June 16, 1969

Arnoldo Mondadori Editore Settore Editoriale Ragazzi e Creazioni Editoriali via G. B. Bodoni 1 Verona, Italy 37100

Attention: Mr. G. Carubbi, Secretary to Dr. Marcolungo

Dear Mr. Carubbi:

Your letter of June 9th has arrived here. We will be happy to cooperate with you in both cases - the love and the Demuth works. Please be advised, however, that the titles which you gave us are not unique, and in order for us to be able to aid you, it will be necessary for you to supply us with the size of the works as well as the medium and date for each of them as there are several examples which have similar titles.

We look forward to hearing from you shortly so that we can be able to authorize the use of these works in your Dictionary of Art.

Sincerely,

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Friends of the Whitney Museum of American Art
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New York, New York 10021

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June 23, 1969

Mr. Gilbert A. Harrison 3556 Macomb Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20016

Dear Mr. Harrison.

At last we have located the duplicate check which was sent for your recent purchase. We are enclosing the check, marked "void" on the face of it.

We certainly hope this has not caused you any inconvenience, and look forward to seeing you again when you are in New York.

Sincerely,

EGH/MMW

Enclosure: Your check #6712

SKOWHEGAN SCHOOL OF PAINTING AND SCULPTURE

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MEMORANDUM

TO

TRUSTEES

DATE: MAY 5, 1969

FROM:

JOHN EASTMAN, JR.

SUBJECT:

TRIP TO SKOWHEGAN WITH PROSPECTIVE

DONORS

Our schedule of Visiting Artists! lectures has now been completed. In addition, the dates for the Trustees! summer meeting and the dedication of The Ben Shahn Graphic Studio have been set.

It was suggested at the January 21st Board Meeting that each Trustee bring two or three friends, prospective donors, to visit the School this summer.

The summer Trustee meeting has been set for 10:00 AM Saturday morning, August 9th, and the dedication of The Ben Shahn Graphic Studio will be held at 5:00 that afternoon. The complete plans for the weekend are

Friday, August 8th

7:00 PM - Cocktails and dinner with faculty and Governors at Director's cottage

Saturday, August 9th

10:00 - Trustee meeting

12:00 - Cocktails and lunch at Director's cottage

2:00 - Seminar - Old Dominion Fresco Barn

5:00 - Dedication of The Ben Shahn Graphic Studio

6:30 or

7:00 - Cocktails at home of Mrs. Ben Shahn

8:30 - Dinner at home of Willard Cummings

10:00 - Student party in Fresco Barn

Sunday, August 10th

12:30 - Lunch in School Dining Room

On Friday afternoon, Sunday morning, and at various moments on Saturday, Trustees will be able to visit the studios and see students at work.

We whall make arrangements for guests to be shown through the studios and to see the frescoes in the South Solon Meeting House on Saturday morning while Trustees are meeting.

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April 29, 1969

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HERMAN M. COMEN, D.D.

BEN G. NOSOWEKY CANTOR EMERITUS Mrs. Edith Halpert Downtown Gallery 465 Park Avenue New York, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Halpert,

I noticed the attached picture of the late Ben Shahn in front of a print of Hillel and a statement in Hebrew. Shahn is one of my favorite artists and my oldest son's name is Hillel and he reads Hebrew fluently. I would like to acquire this print for him as a gift for his birthday. Could you please tell me how I might obtain it.

Cordially.

Rabbi Bernard S. Raskas

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June 24, 1969

Miss Esther F. Rupel 918 Lindberg Road West Lafayette, Indiana 47906

Dear Miss Rupel:

It took considerable time for me to locate the original photograph and the data on the painting referred to in your letter - AT THE LOCM.

I purchased this painting in 1937 from a private source in Philadelphia, Pa. It was in bad condition and we had to have it relined and restored.

Actually, the previous owner told me that he obtained it in Schwenksville, Pa. In my description for it for our records, I stated as follows:

"Painted by anonymous Pennsylvania German artist, c.1795. The painting was found in Schwenksville, Pa., and depicts a characteristic Pa. German interior with elderly woman embroidering a hand-loomed wool coverlet. Furnishings are uniformly Pa. German. A most unusual example both as a work of art and as an historical record."

I expect, of course, to have you credit me with this information, particularly now when I have decided to issue a form letter to indicate that The Downtown Gallery is not intended to be an educational institution.

I'M sorry that I don't have a duplicate of the photograph which is paineddianomerbook, but you may be able to get it from Life magazine.

Sincerely,

EGH/mm

THE NADEL COLLECTION

The Nadel Collection was gathered over a period of thirty years of participation by E. Eddy Nadel in folk-festivals, special programs, institutes and other such events; and through Mr. Nadel's wide travels in Europe, Asia and Africa. While Mr. Nadel's collection emphasizes the folk arts of Hungary, Yugoslavia, Czechoslovakia, Austria, Germany, Ireland and Scotland, many other countries like Chana and Nigeria are represented.

Many of the folk art costumes that Mr. Nadel collected are examples of exquisite artistic band-embroidery, hand-made lace and intricate leathercraft. The costumes are authentic in every detail and have been handed down through many generations in the lands from which they came. These costumes are considered museum pieces in the countries of their origin because the hand-work involved in making such costumes is no longer being done by craftsmen.

A large number of Mr. Nadel's folk art books are source material for a study of folk art music, song, dance and costumes of the countries represented in his collection. Many of the photographs in his collection were taken by well-known Eastern European photographers. These photographs show native groups, professional and non-professional, participating in their traditional dances in costume. Some pictures are of the International Folk Dance Pestivals which hold their sessions in different countries each year. There is also a large assortment of sheet music, folk records, periodicals, motion picture reels, film tapes and sound tapes.

Mr. Nadel's files also contain the bulk of the material on folklore, music and dance of the great expert in the field of American folk art, Miss Elizabeth Burchenal, founder of the American Folk Art Center in New York City and a member of the faculty of Sargent College, Cambridge, Massachusetts. These were left to Mr. Nadel by Miss Burchenal.

THE CORCORAN GALLERY OF ART

WASHINGTON, D. C. 20006

JAMES HARITHAS DIRECTOR OF THE GALLERY

July, 2, 1969

638-3211 ARKA CODE 202

Mrs. Edith Gregor Halpert The Downtown Gallery 465 Park Avenue New York, New York 10022

Dear Edith:

The enclosed copy of my letter to Dr. MacCollum and his answer should explain the reason why the two works will be returned to you along with the Storrs things that are on their way back to you.

However, we have sold the following three items:

GENESIS, 1932 oil on Masonite, PORTRAIT OF A WOMAN, 1929 silverpoint drawing \$1700.00

These two were sold to Mr. and Mrs. David Swiger, 10 Overdale Road, Rye, New York 10580. We have added and received a 10% commission and will forward the check in the amount of the two above sums.

SPIRIT OF THE NIGHT; woodcut

\$150,00

was sold to Mr. Richard Madlener, 1107 Swink Mill Road, McLean, Virginia, also here we added a 10% commission and am sending you the above amount.

I hope you are well and are taking it easy this summer.

With best regards,

Inga W. Heck

cc: MM

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May 15, 1969

Gainesville Sun Gainesville, Floride

Gentlemen:

We are the New York Gallery that represents the artist Yasuo Kuniyoshi. The University of Florida recently had an exhibition of Kuniyoshi's work which was written up in your Sunday, March 2, 1969 issue on pages 78 and 88.

We would greatly appreciate two copies of this issue for our archives and would appreciate your cooperation.

Thank you in advance for your kind attention to this request.

Sincerely,

Murray M. Wax

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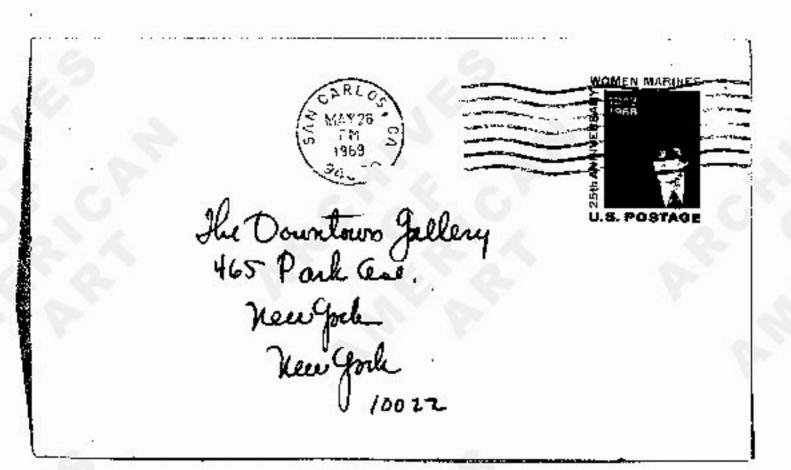
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April 11, 1969

Mr. James Heritas, Director The Corcoran Gallery of Art Washington, D.C. 20006

Dear Mr. Haritas:

Enclosed you will find an additional copy of the biographical data on JOHN STORRS, per your request in conversation with Mrs. Halpert.

Best regards from all of us.

Sincerely,

Murray M. Wax

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April 17, 1969

Mr. John W. Keefe Assistant Curator The Toledo Museum of Art Monroe Street at Scottwood Avenue Toledo, Ohio

Dear Mr. Keefel

The other day a gentlemen visited the Gallery and advised us that he had purchased the two Dove watercolors which were consigned to the Toledo Museum of Art: CENTERPORT SERIES,#20A, 1940 and ACROSS THE ROAD, 1940.

Unfortunately, I did not get the man's name or address for our files. Would you please be good enough to forward this information to us.

Incidentally, how will payment for these two works be make - directly from the purchaser or through the Toledo Museum?

Thank you, in advance, for your kind cooperation.

Sincerely,

Murray M. Wax

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ATTN: ART BUREAU

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JACOB SCHULMAN BY NORTH MAIN STREET GLOVERSVILLE, NEW YORK 12075

April 29, 1968

Mrs. Edith Gregor Halpert 136 East 56th Street New York, New York

Dear Edith:

I read the announcement in Sunday's New York Times of the honor being accorded you as the first recipient of the "International Silver Prize Medal" from the University of Connecticut.

No one is more justly deserving of this recognition and certainly no one for "distinguished contributions to the arts" is more entitled to being "first."

Selma joins me in extending our love, very best wishes and congratulations.

Sincerely,

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June 27, 1969 Dear mus Halpert, I have just finished reading Joanna Eagle in which sele spraises your gallering most highly my husband and I have if ust recently moved ento a new home and we want to start to collect pountings. Lowerer we don't know quest where to start. I have read serval bashs on arrerecan spainters which made me realize how little I know on the subject & also realize that the painters mentioned in these tooks are well over that \$ 1000 mark mentioned by Joanna Could you posselly advice me as to which

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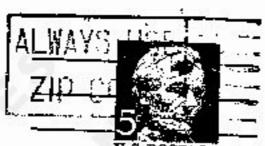
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Mrs. Edith Gregor Halpert
Downtown Gallery
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May 7, 1969

Mr. H. L. Yochum, President Capital University Columbus, Ohio 43209

Dear President Yochum:

I was delighted to receive your letter of May 5thand was very flattered by the contents.

My visit to Capital University and the receipt of the Award comprised one of the greatest experiences I have had in my career. The University, its location, the design of the buildings and the playgrounds are really astonishingly beautiful - and I was impressed by all of the personnel from the President down to the students.

All this came at a very propitious period in my life as I have been greatly upset in the past few years about the many museums who have turned into "discotecques" providing concerts, ballets, puppet shows, etc. and other forms of entertainment which have no association with the visual arts. Yours must be one of the few institutions left that are working on the "purist" system and I therefore congratulate you.

It will be a great pleasure to see you in New York. Please let me know in advance when you are planning a trip so that I can cancel whatever other engagements I may have. I look forward to the pleasure of seeing you and to the opportunity I will have to show you the cross section of artists work which we have.

Devotedly yours,

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April 16, 1969

National Collection of Fine Arts Smithsonian Institution Washington, D.C. 20560

Attention: Mrs. Adelyn Breeskin

Dear Mrs. Breeskin

The Corcoren Gallery of Art is planning a Storrs Exhibition, opening May 2, 1969 and have asked us to loan them the Storrs Granite and Marble sculpture entitled PANEL WITH BLACK MARBLE INLAY, 1917-19 (size: 60"high by 15½" wide).

This work, as you will recall was consigned to the Smithsonian Institution on January 30, 1968, and is an important requirement for the Corcoran exhibition.

We are, therefore, giving you permission to release this sculpture to the Corcoran Gallery of Art, who will send their own truck to pick it up.

Thank you for your cooperation, and very best regards.

Sincerely,

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July 1, 1969

Mr. & Mrs. George Perutz 11405 St. Michaels Drive Dallas, Texas

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Perutz:

Please be advised that the eight (8) works of art which you recently purchased were picked up this morning to be properly crated, and the company was given instructions to ship wie Emery Air Freight.

I wanted to thank you, too, for the post card - and hope that you both had a wonderful trip.

As I am sure you have surmised that I could not have the works shipped out earlier, I want to apologize for the delay. I am enclosing here two blue copies of the invoices. As soon as you receive the works, I would appreciate it if you would sign these receipts and return them to us so that our records will be in order.

It was a pleasure to meet you both and I certainly hope to have the opportunity of seeing you again on your next trip to New York. Very best regards to you both.

Sincerely,

Murray M. Wax

MMW/me Enclosures

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April 17, 1969

Mr. James Harithas, Director The Corcoran Gallery Of Art Washington, D.C. 20006

Dear Jims

Would you please be good enough to add to your invitation list for the opening of the Storrs Exhibition on Friday, May 2nd the following:

Mr. David N. Ellenhorn Kronish, Lieb, Shainswit, Weiner & Hellman 330 Madison Avenue New York, New York 10017

Of course, if there is a charge, please bill me.

Thank you and very best regards.

As ever.

EGH/mmv

Dorothy Midonick

155 East 38 Street

New York City 16

April 18, 1969

Dear Edith:

It was wonderful to hear the good news last night. You really should celebrate and have a fling! It is too sad that you have had so many troubles.

Edith dear, I do thank you for sending me the catalogs and I know you understand why these are being returned. What can you store in a small apartment? The Marin and Dove books are to precious not to be in worthy collections. I have always admired both artists. When I was very young a special affection drew me to Marin because I was brought up in Weehawken too.

We do hope to see you soon.

Affection and all good wishes from Will and me.

Yours,

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Mrs. Edith Gregor Halpert

The Downtown Gallery

465 Park Avenue

New York City

THE METROPOLITAN MUSEUM OF ART

Fifth Avenue and 82nd Street New York, New York 10028

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May 20, 1969

Mrs. Adelaide L. Gaynor Glemwood Landing Long Island, New York 11547

Dear Mrs. Gaynor:

In Mrs. Halpert's absence from the office I am answering your letter of May 16th.

Please be advised that most of the artists about whom you are inquiring are not and have not been handled by The Downtown Gallery. Also, since the volume of these kinds of requests for valuations have been so numerous, we now have a policy of not giving valuations in accordance with the rulings of the Art Dealer's Association.

I do not know what advice to give you, except perhaps that you get in touch with the Art Dealer's Association who may be able to suggest how to go about getting the information you require.

Sincerely,

Murray M. Wax

MMW/me

May 20, 1969

SPECIAL DELIVERY

Mr. Frederick A. Sweet Curator of American Painting and Sculpture Art Institute of Chicago Michigan Avenue at Adams Street Chicago S, Illinois

Bear Freds

This merning I was anakened by a long-distance call from a Mr. Block(Mt) of The American. He caked immediately about my attitude regarding the change in the Pirst Prize Award from the Paul Barlin and I explained very briefly that you had phened to advise me that for some technical reason it was not eligible and that the same call went through to the other jurers and that my suggestion was to move up the other major awards numerically and that I was under the impression that similar suggestions had been made by Buckley and Dieben-korn.

He present up at great length about the award and I explained that it was voted unanimously because we all agreed that it was the outstanding painting in the exhibition but that if it were not eligible there was no alternative but to follow the precedure I suggested.

I just thought you should know what transpired.

Insidentally, Mrs. Poindexter phoned me several days age but I refused to give her any information whatseever, insisting that she should get in touch with you directly.

Sincerely,

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Mr. Thomas J. McCormick

4/30/69

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Of course, you will have to put it on your insurance floater as our insurance ends at our portal - and pay the shipping charges in the event that you want it on approval. If you decide to keep it, we will deduct the packing charges which we generally undertake to pay.

If, by any chance, you have photographs of the Marin's and O'Keeffe's - would you please send them on to us so that we can try to make another exchange deal.

I, too, look forward to seeing you in the very near future.

Best regards.

Sincerely,

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THE DOWNTOWN GALLERY

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May 23, 1969

Mrs. Edith Halpert The Downtown Gallery 32 East 51st Street New York, N. Y. 10022

Dear Edith:

It was very good to see you the other evening and to end up with you in the heart of Odessa,

I have a graduate student, Robert Metager, who will be in New York early in the autumn. He is working in the American field and trying to clarify the background of 20th Century American art. He will not impose upon you, but it would be good for him if you would see him. He may have one or two questions that only you can answer and in any case to meet you is an experience that he should have.

I have told him that he might come in to see you and remind you of my letter. You will find him very charming and knowledgeable.

With much affection,

Yours,

Frederick S. Wight

Director

UCLA Art Galleries

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- 6. This statute does not apply to existing written or oral agreements or arrangements with artists, nor to any extensions or renewals thereof.
- 7. Former sub-division 2 of Section 220 of the General Business Law making it a larceny for a dealer to secrete or withhold a work of art belonging to an artist is repealed. This conduct is nonetheless covered by the larceny provisions of the Penal Law.
- It is important to note that this statute makes art dealers trustees of works of art and the proceeds of sale of works of art consigned to them by artists. Under the Penal Law, the conversion or misappropriation of trust funds or trust property by a trustee is a larceny.

As the Association cannot and does not give legal advice, we suggest that members consult their attorneys to determine the effect of this statute on the operation of their business.

Gilbert S. Edelson

ARNOLDO MONDADORI EDITORE

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Verona, 9th June 1969

Messrs Downtown Gallery 465, Park Avenue NEW YORK

Dear Sirs,

We would be grateful if you could grant us the authorization to reproduce the followings works in a Dictionary of Art which is going to be edited by us in two languages: Italian and English:

- Arthur G.Dove "Plant forsm"
- Charles Demuth "Still Life"

Therefore please send the related invoice covering the reproduction rights for the above two editions.

In case you were not in the possibility to grant the authorization, please send us the addresses of the belonger of rights or of the heirs of the author.

Thanking you in advance we remain

Very truly yours, Secretary to Dr.Marcolungo May 6, 1969

Leanne B. Heath HEATH'S GALLERY 62 Ponce De Leon Ave. N.E. Atlanta, Georgia 30308

Dear Leanne:

Following our telephone conversation, I decided that a letter to you would be more effective.

When you asked for the exhibition, I had no idea that the show would continue for four months. Even a museum does not get this kind of service from us.

Among other things, we have severed connections with several of our artist's estates and are now limited to works of art which we own - either the Gallery or myself. The Yew remaining consignors who are still alive are asking for several specific items which are on your consignment list.

Consequently, we are obliged to demand that all of the items be returned to us - other than those you may have sold or purchased - in which event we will have to pay the consignors promptly.

I would also like to have the photographs returned to us and would appreciate photostatic copies of any reviews which may have appeared.

Many thanks for your cooperation.

Fond regards.

As ever,

EGH/mm

MARGARET WATHERSTON INC.

44 West 77th Street, New York, N.Y. 10024 . ENdicott 2-5514

Conservation of Paintings

June 14, 1969

Mrs. Edith Halpert The Downtown Gallery 465 Park Avenue New York, N.Y. 10022

RESTORATION ESTIMATE

KUNIYOSHI - "Two Acrobats", oil on canvas giue-lined, 24" x 30", dated 1926.

Present Condition:

Painting was glue-lined, a primed linen canvas being used as the lining layer. Lining adhesive has not held in a satisfactory fashion and the lining has detached from the back of the painting in numerous places causing a "bubbly effect" on the surface. In addition to this, under the ultraviolet light it would appear that areas of the painting have been overpainted, possibly as a way of brightening the background without cleaning, or possibly to hide the effect of overcleaning. Paint layer is thin and appears abraded in various areas. Surface varnish is very uneven, being sticky in certain places and dull in others and apparently of varying thickness.

Suggested Restoration: Kuniyoshi's color tends to be readily soluble and for this reason and also the fact that the canvas and paint layers are both very thin, conservation treatment will be rather difficult.

Painting will be faced to permit safe removal of the lining canvas and adhesive from the reverse. Canvas will be flattened with moisture, heat, and slight pressure on the vacuum table. Painting will then be lined again on the vacuum table with wax resin adhesive and fiberglass lining fabric.

WILLIAM G. TYRRELL 34 Winthrop Avenue Albany, New York 12203

2 June 1969

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The Downtown Gallery 465 Park Avenue New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

Will you please send me complete information about your 44th Anniversary American Folk Art Exhibition.

I woul appreciate receiving this information as soon as possible as I would very much like to include an account of the miterial in a forthcoming issue of History News - the monthly publication of this association.

Thank you very much,

Very truly yours,

William G. Tyrrell Contributing Editor

History News

May 21, 1969

Miss Rachael Griffin Curator The Portland Art Association Southwest Park and Madison Portland, Oregon 97205

Dear Miss Griffing

Much as I would like to cooperate with you in relation to O'Keeffe, it is impossible in view of the fact that we are no longer agents for her.

About two years ago she decided to jump her prices so tremendously that when she came in we had a discussion about it and she decided that she would work directly in the future and would have no dealer handle her work per se.

I am enclosing a catalogue of our 43rd Anniversary Exhibition which will give you a complete roster of the artists whom we represent or have in our inventory. If you are interested in any of the other artists works, we would be pleased to help you.

Sincerely,

EGH/manw

P.S. May I suggest that you consider a painting by Arthur G. Dove, whose widow (a month before she died) delivered a group of paintings which she had withheld for sale for sentimental reasons. Consequently, we have a superb collection of this great artists work who is generally recognized as one of the great American painters of the early 20th century. This includes oils, watercolors and some large charcoal drawings dating from 1910 to 1946.

The Corcoran Gallery of Art Washington, D. C. 20006

HERMANN WARNER WILLIAMS, JA. DIRECTOR AND SECRETARY

METROPOLITAN B-3811

May 14, 1969

Mrs. Edith Gregor Halpert The Downtown Gallery 465 Park Avenue New York, New York 10022

Dear Mrs. Halpert:

Mr. Harithas has asked me to thank you for your very nice letter of May 10. He was pleased to know of your enthusiasm for the Storrs Exhibition.

As soon as the Storrs catalogues are available, we will forward several of them to you.

Sincerely,

Judith Goald

Judith Goald

Secretary to the Director

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Mrs. Edith Halpert The Downtown Gallery 465 Park Avenue New York, NY 10022

Dear Mrs. Halpert:

Thank you for your letter of May 6th. I am sorry that you have not received the press releases which we are now enclosing.

As you can see, the coverage here in Florida is mainly in the form of notices of the exhibition rather than any reviews of it. Hopefully the Washington coverage will be more critical.

We were all very disappointed that you could not be with us in Washington for the opening. The affair went exceedingly well, and I believe everyone was pleased. It was a very handsome show and I do hope there will be some good reviews. Also, I am sure many people will get down from New York now to see it.

I know that this year has been a most trying one for you. In this regard I especially appreciate all your great kindness in helping us put this Kuniyoshi show together. I also hope that our exhibition has brought a new identity to Kuniyoshi which will serve him and his reputation to the best. I look forward to seeing you in New York in the fall. I hope you will use this summer for a well-earned rest.

My very warmest regards.

Sincerely,

Roy C. Craven, Jr.

Director

RCC:mzb enc.

Box 839 Dartmouth ABC Program Hanover, N. H. July

Dear Sir:

Over a month ago I wrote to you about permission to reproduce a picture in a textbook I am writing for high school English classes. I have had no reply.

Since my letter may never have arrived, I am writing again because the deadline is appreaching for my finished manuscript. I need to know before Aug. 1 whather you will let me use the picture and whether you can supply an 8 x 10 glossy print.

If I have to write to someone else about the print, or if the picture is unavailable and I have to look for a substitute, I should like to know as soon as possible. The publishing schedule may have to be delayed.

The picture is

Robert Osborn's drawing of James Thurber, which I saw in "Art in America", in the issue #I, 1962.

Very sincerely,

(Hart Leavitt)

May 14m 1969

National Collection of Fine Arts Smithsonian Institution 8th & G Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20560

Attention: Registrar:

Dear Madem or Sir:

I neglected to send you our usual consignment for the Kuniyoshi Exhibition currently at the Smithsonian Institution, after having been on view at the University of Florida.

Enclosed you will find two copies of the works which we loaned for this show. Won't you please be good enough to sign and return the blue copies so that our records will be in order.

Thank you,

Sincerely,

Murray M. Wax

MMI/me

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SKOWHEGAN SCHOOL OF PAINTING AND SCULPTURE 331 East 68th Street, New York, N.Y. 10021

TO: ALUMNI AND FRIENDS

1969 SCHEDULE OF LECTURES BY FACULTY AND VISITING ARTISTS

We hope that you can join us for one or more of the lectures or events scheduled for this summer.

We do suggest however that before coming to the School for any lecture you check first as to whether there might have been a change in the date for the artist(s) whose lecture(s) you want to attend. Telephone: 207-474-9345.

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May 15, 1969

St. Petersburg Times St. Petersburg, Florida

Gentlemen:

We are the New York Gallery that represents the estate of the artist Yasuo Kuniyoshi. The University of Florida in Gainesville recently had an exhibition of Kuniyoshi's work which was written up in your Sunday, March 2, 1969 issue on pages 1G and 2G.

We would greatly appreciate two copies of these pages for our archives, and would appreciate your cooperation.

Thank you in advance for your kind attention to this request.

Sincerely,

Murray M. Wax

MMW/more

() Week-end of August 8, 1969 () Week-end of
(date)
() Other time (dates)
I shall be accompanied by:
(.) Wife
() Husband
() Guests
Names of Guests:
Will you make the needed plane reservations to:
() Bangor (For those flying from New York City)
() Waterville (For those flying from Boston)
() We shall drive to the school.
The School will make the necessary room reservations at Lakewood based on the above information.

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THE TOLEDO MUSEUM OF ART

MONROE STREET AT SCOTTWOOD AVENUE, TOLEDO, OHIO 43601

OTTO WITTMANN, DIRECTOR

Box 1013

June 9, 1969

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Mrs. Edith Gregor Halpert

The Downtown Gallery

465 Park Avenue

New York, N. Y. 10022

Dear Mrs. Halpert:

This morning we received your statement of June 2 for the two Arthur Dove watercolors sold in our Art for Collectors IV exhibition. I enclose a photocopy of that statement.

I also enclose a photocopy of my letter to you of April 25 regarding the same two watercolors. Aside from your statement, I have received no reply to my letter.

I need not assure you that we acted in good faith in selling the watercolors at the prices mentioned in my letter, and look forward to an early clearing of this misunderstanding.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Rudolf M. Riefstahl Curator of Decorative Arts (Medieval and Renaissance)

RMR: 1k1 Encl.

THE METROPOLITAN MUSEUM OF ART



EXHIBITION:

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LENDER'S COPY

LOAN AGREEMENT

Fifth Avenue and \$2nd Street New York, New York 10028 Telephone: (212) TR 9-5500

Cable: METMUSART

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Please return signed form, any photographic material or other attachments to The Registrar, Metropolitan Museum of Art.

June 6, 1969

Mr. James Harithas The Corcoran Gallery of Art Washington, D.C. 20006

Dear Jim:

Your intriguing form letter regarding the fascinating tour arrived just now.

Unfortunately, I can never take advantage of any of the trips proposed or organized by museums or any other institutions for the simple reason that I am a working woman and cannot spare the time - and so, please accept my regrets.

As ever.

EGH/mm

P.S. I have tried to reach you at the museum and at your home a good many times and hoped you would have the time to call me as I had some rather shocking news that distressed and disturbed me greatly. Thus, I am writing to ascertain whether you know anything about the new plans Mrs. Book has in mind. I know that Danenberg, trough my ex-secretary Tracy Miller, has called every artist in this gallery making them huge offers to join his gallery. In this case, it was another gallery that was called by her and I was deeply disturbed - but, he was good enough to phone me and report the conversation. He also stated that he refused her offer to switch.

I was glad that you and I have a signed agreement that everything consigned to the Corcoran, whether her property or some items which I borrowed from collector friends for the exhibit as well as items which I own are to be returned to the Downtown Gallery and that any sales at the Corcoran would clear through us.

All of the art Mrs. Booz's father left would still be either in the attic in her home in Illinois or in the stable in the villa in northern France which was part of her inheritance had it not been for me. Furthermore, we have a contract which was renewed two years ago and again fairly recently through her lawyer.

Please call me soon as I would love to talk with you.

Best regards,

EGH

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Office of the Director

May 16, 1969

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Mrs. Edith Gregor Halpert, Director The Downtown Gallery 465 Park Avenue New York, New York

Dear Edith:

I am glad to be able to tell you what at their meeting on May 14th the Committee on the Collections voted to purchase A FEW SHAPES by Arthur Dove at your price of \$7,000. Would you be good enought to send me a formal bill as soon as convenient which I can then pass on to the Treasurer's Office for payment. I should hope the Museum would receive the usual discount.

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Would you also send us what information you have on the picture, for as you know we try to keep as complete a dossier as possible on all acquisitions and anything you could send would be helpful. I assume that the painting has hitherto belonged only to the Dove estate.

The other painting, RECTANGLES, will be returned to you as soon as possible.

I appreciated your letter and quite understand the embarassing situation in which you found yourself. Let me add that I am very proud to add this beautiful Dove to the Museum collection.

With warm regards,

Sincerely yours,

Perry T. Rathbone

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THE TOLEDO MUSEUM OF ART MONROE STREET AT SCOTTWOOD AVENUE, TOLEDO, OHIO 43601

OTTO WITTMANN, DIRECTOR

April 25, 1969

Mrs. Edith Gregor Halpert The Downtown Gallery 465 Park Avenue New York, New York 10022

Dear Mrs. Halpert:

We have received your statement for the pictures lent to us for our "Art for Collectors IV" exhibition. However, we were concerned over the fact that your statement of April 10 lists a different price for the two Arthur Dove watercolours than that at which they were insured and sold. I would call to your attention our letter of January 30 asking for price statement and our telephone conversation of February 14 in which the prices were fixed at \$600.00 for "Centerport Series, 20A" and \$750.00 for "Across the Road". It was at these figures that the pieces were insured and sold and not at the \$700.00 and \$850.00, respectively, which your statement lists.

Although the American "Basket of Fruit" still life on velvet did not sell during the course of the exhibition, I call your attention to the fact that there is a further discrepancy in price. The painting was insured and price fixed at \$475.00, while your final statement lists a price of \$750.00.

We are anxious to clear this misunderstanding and would appreciate hearing from you at your earliest convenience. Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

Rudolf M. Riefstahl

Curator of Decorative Arts

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NATIONAL COLLECTION OF FINE ARTS

RIGHTH AND G STREETS, N. W., WARHINGTON, D.C.

10 May 1969

Dear Edith:

Nor missed you greatly at the Kinnyoshi opening. All your forms expressed their affection and admiration, of course, and everyone sends his best wither and love. It was a fine opening and the show is oplinded.

Your may have heard by this time that I have resigned. One of the jays of the past few years has been the piwelige of gaining such thiendo as Edith Halpert. Thanks eternally for your sympathy and encouragement!

June 29, 1969

Mrs. Edith Halpert The Downtown Gallery 465 Park Avenue New York City, New York

Dear Mrs. Halpert:

Thank you for your letter of June 20th.

As I wired you today, all of the paintings we purchased were insured on my part the very afternoon we were in your gallery. Mr. Murray Wax stood next to me when I spoke with my insurance broker in Dallas and he should know that the insurance was covered many weeks ago. I am anxious to receive the paintings and I would appreciate if they could be sent immediately.

We are not leaving Dallas for another 2 - 3 months, probably during the latter part of September we shall go to the Far East but no further trips are planned before then. I am also sorry we could not see you again, but I had to go to Poland of all places and we were a week late in returning. We did not pass through New York at all, but flew via London-Chicago-Dallas avoiding the big mess at Kennnedy.

Regarding additional data, the only thing I would like to have from you is any information you have regarding exhibitions. For instance if the Kuniyoshi " I wear a Mask" has been exhibited I would appreciate your letting me know when and where. The Marin seems to have been exhibited at the Leicester Galleries in London in 1965 - do you have their address? I want to write them and see if they have a catalogue of the exhibit. If the Marin has been exhibited elsewhere please let me know.

I assume the little Doves have notbeen exhibited before or owned before.

Before leaving New York we purchased a very nice Demuth - similar to "on THAT street " at the Chicago Museum. If you change your mind regarding the acrobat Demuth you had in your gallery - we have a great interest in this picture - as well as the Marin you had hanging in the main room on the right. If either of these should become available please let me know promptly.

I am glad the stamps gave you some pleasure and I am working on an additional shipment.

We shall of course make an appointment with you next time we are in New York but this is some time off in the future - probably not until next year.

Best regards from Sidney and myself.

As always



State of New Jersey DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

1 May 1969

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Edith Gregor Halpert, Director The Downtown Gallery 465 Park Avenue New York, New York 10022

Dear Edith:

Street Address

W. STATE STREET

THENTON, NEW JERSEY

NEW JERGEY STATE MUSEUM

I do want to respond to your letter of 23 April in which you expressed the reasons why you would rather not loan some of your private work to us for the Shahn retrospective this fall. Indeed, I do understand your professional position as an ex-dealer in relation to Shahn. Perhaps the term ex-dealer is woefully inadequate for you were always the Shahn dealer, and, in fact, your name and his are inseparable in the annals of his work.

You will recall, I am sure, the visit Mrs. Sloshberg and I made to your gallery to visit especially with you almost two year's ago when we asked for your thoughts and advice concerning our planned Shahn retrospective. We began with your thoughts and recommendations, and I should be so sorry, truly sorry, if we were to have this exhibition, which will include work from the major museums and collections throughout the United States, and it did not include you. This would be an historically, inaccurate representation, and it would not be fair to you. This show is not being put on as part of any one gallery, indeed, the major pieces will come from museums and private collections.

May I ask you to reconsider? Do let us have a piece from your personal collection so that we may maintain the identity and relationship of you and your gallery to our dear friend, Ben Shahn.

Most sincerely yours,

Kenneth W. Brescott Director, State Museum

KWP: CINY

May 28, 1969

Mrs. Helen M. L. Kunic 2444 Melendy Drive San Carlos, California 94070

Dear Mrs. Kunic:

We have received your post card request for a catalogue of our PERFORMING ARTS Exhibition.

Please be advised that we did not issue a catalogue for this exhibition, which incidentally ends this week.

Thank you for your interest.

Sincerely,

Murray M. Wex

MW

Longohamps Restaurants

EXECUTIVE OFFICES . 230 PARK AVENUE . NEW YORK, N.Y., 10017 . 889-8100

GRACE TEED KENT

April 29, 1969

Mrs. Edith G. Halpert Downtown Gallery 465 Park Avenue New York City 10022

Dear Mrs. Halpert:

Thank you for your note to Mr. Slocum regarding your George Morris, Jack Levine and Stuart Davis paintings. I was concerned to read that you feel that damage was inflicted upon the paintings, particularly since the air-conditioning level at CAFE GALERIE is kept quite constant.

I have checked with one of my assistants who advised me that your gallery was very definitely called concerning the pick-up arrangements by Grasso Brothers. Miss Byrnes did not speak with you personally, but left a message with one of your staff indicating that the pick-up would be on the day that it actually did occur.

Again, I am most concerned about any damage which you feel may have been inflicted, and I await the written report from your company. I will, of course, deal with it immediately.

Very truly yours,

Grace Teed Kent

Director of Advertising

GTK: ph

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July 17, 1969

To Whom It May Concerns

After a trip to Hawaii, I organized a Group Show of a few artists whose work interested Mr. Raymond Han was among those included as a professional artist.

Sincerely,

EGH/www.

June 26, 1969

Mrs. Edith Gregor Halpert The Downtown Gallery 465 Park Avenue New York, New York 10022

My Dear Edith,

The Folk Art Exhibition could not have been better and it was a pleasure to see again so many of my old friends. By old friends I mean the paintings and sculpture we studied for our show while at Newtown. I do hope that you will part with only a few of these works as it would be too sad to see them go.

I know you must be pleased with the exhibition, the selection and hanging was perfect as is expected. I am only sorry Janet could not have joined us for our celebration at Marmiton.

Now, Edith, I plan to be in New York again in mid July and will bring to your attention as you requested a detailed list of our needshere at the National Collection and also include our present holdings for your study.

The collection is strong in American 19th Century painting and painting at the turn of the century. We have very little Folk Art and the collection is fairly weak in the area of the 1920's, 30's and 40's. Many of your artists are not represented at all.

Both Janet and I look forward to seeing you around the 16th of next month. With kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Donald McClelland Associate Curator June 27, 1969

Mr. G. Carubbi
Secretary to
Dr. Marcolungo
Arnoldo Mondadori Editore
Settore Editoriale Ragazzi E Ceam
Verona, Italy 37100

Dear Mr. Carubbic

Your letter of June 24th has reached us and we are hastening to reply to this.

Please note that the painting by Arthur Dove titled PLANT FORMS is dated 1915. This painting was formerly in the collection of Mr. & Mrs. Roy R. Neuberger, and was given as a gift to the Whitney Museum in New York. May I suggest that you contact the Whitney, if you wish to have prints of it, as they will have to give you permission for its use.

Referring to the watercolor by Charles Lemuth which is titled in the reproduction which you sent as STILL LIFE, we can find no trace of it in our archives.

We are indeed sorry that we cannot be of any further service to you in this matter, and we are returning to you herewith your clippings.

Sincerely.

EGH/mmw Enclosures biographies printed on the various artists, I will arrange to have copies of them sent to you as well.

Again, I must say I am looking forward to your next visit to New York. Please let us know in advance, as we are agranging a simplified system of telephone appointments - made in advance.

My best regards to you and Sydney.

As ever.

EGH/mme

P.S. It was most thoughtful of you to send me the assortment of stamps which I will send to my friend to whom I have been sending these various stamps in the past - but never a collection such as yours. Many thanks.

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THE CORCORAN GALLERY OF ART

WASHINGTON, D. C. 20006

JAMES HARITMAS DIRECTOR OF THE GALLERY

638-3211 AREA CODE 202

April 23, 1969

Mr. Murray Wax The Downtown Gallery 465 Park Avenue New York, New York 10022

Dear Mr. Wax:

Enclosed are loan forms for the fifteen drawings by John Storrs which you are lending to our Retrospective Exhibition. Please sign and return a copy of each at your own convenience.

I think that Mr. Harithas will be picking up the bronze plaque today. Would it be inconvenient for you to ship the drawings to Washington as soon as possible. Enclosed please find your receipt for the works that arrived via H.G. Ollendorf yesterday.

Sincerely yours,

Rarika

Martha Morris Registrar

Enclosures 33 MM/hcd

April 15, 1969

Mr. Otto Wittmann, Director The Toledo Museum of Art Monroe Street at Scottwood Avenue Toledo, Ohio 43601

Dear Mr. Wittmann:

I wanted to acknowledge the return of the American Folk Art painting on velvet. I recall signing for it when it arrived.

I was also so pleased to receive a report that both of the Dove watercolors had been sold. On April 10th we sent your invoice (our number 11392) listing the two paintings and deducting the 10% discount which we give to Museums only. Evidently, our invoice crossed in the mail with the card from Mrs. Bentley dated April 11th, which requested that we send you a receipt for the unsold item. We are now enclosing the two original consignment forms and a receipt for the American Folk Art which arrived in good condition.

I hope this straightens out all of the paper work which we did jointly.

I was delighted to learn your Show was such a successful exhibition in Toledo, and I will be happy to cooperate with you whenever you do any in the future.

Sincerely,

EGH/IDDOW Enclosures

P.S. Would you please be good enough to return the blue copy of the consignment, signed, indicating that you had received these items; and, the receipt for Folk Art will belence this all out - except for the

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March 20, 1989

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are currently updating our insurance usual like current valuations on the last Reading A Newspaper" 1966.

Lete la a change on Shahn "Girl Skipping and "Two Women" (which we now own, it made an arrangement with Hugh Stone) appreciate that information. I assume to other valuations are the same as 1967 when we last revised our policy. That a miserable winter...both of use the same transfer at different transfer at different transfer back troubles at different transfer at different transfer at the same at anow then I we ever seen at one was a way to spring and hapefully.

July 2, 1969

Mr. James Harithas, Director The Corocran Gallery of Art Washington, D.C. 20006

Dear Jim

As you know, I have been phoning you steadily "personto person" with requests for you to tall back for weeks and weeks. However, to date, I have had no word from you and am terribly upset about the matter.

I know that Mrs. Boos's lawyer phoned my lawyer and demanded that all of the exhibits be returned to her rather than to The Downtown Gallery as agreed upon between you and me in writing - with your algorithm on the agreement.

Among other things, I stated that whatever sales were made, payment was to be sent to us, less the 10% discount that the museum gets for sales. This is an accepted routine throughout the years with every institution to whom we have sent shows.

We were advised by you that OPPOSING FORMS, 1932 -sronze Plaque and TETE A THTE, 1917 - Bronze Sculpture-were sold by the Corcoran some time ago.

Furthermore, I made it very clear on the consignment that some of the works were in Private Collections and Mat For Sale, and that they should be returned to us under any circumstances. Since the exhibition classed on June 9th, according to the consignment form, we certainly should have received these works directly after the exhibition ended. Mrs. Boos does not own these works and was paid for them long ago, thus making it fliegel to have them returned to her not us. The list of these appears in the letter hurray war sent to you, at my request, on June 27, 1969.

(See Fage Two)

April 25, 1969

Dr. Milton Luria 69 Fairview Avenue Verona, New Jersey

Dear Dr. Lurie:

Enclosed you will find our consignment form made to the Montclair Art Museum in Montclair, New Jersey.

Would you please have Miss Graham, or the Registrar at the Museum sign this form and return it to us now for our files, to indicate that it is now there on approval.

We would also appreciate word from either you or the Museum relative to whether this purchase has been accomplished and approved by the Board at your earliest convenience.

Thank you and best regards to your wife and yourself.

Sincerely.

Murray M. Wax

MMW/me Enclosure

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June 23, 1969

Mr. David Scott 3016 Cortland Place, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20008

Dear David:

I was so happy to receive your letter of June 21st. Of course, the Getlein article will clarify the air as I have been hearing all sorts of rumors, including one that you were going to run the Hirschhorn Collection (which I thought was a demotion). However, your letter and the article both make it clear that you are doing something very vital and will continue making a great contribution.

I can assure you that if there is anything in our archives that would be of value to you - you are welcome to see the works.

I so enjoyed seeing you and Margaret. It was a delightful evening for me.

I hope to have this pleasure again in the near future. With fond regards.

As ever.

EGH/man

April 14, 1969

Mr. William H. Lane Standard Pyromoloid Corporation Leominster, Massachusetts 01453

Dear Mr. Lane:

After your conversation with Mrs. Halpert last week, we sent you one photograph of Charles Sheeler's ASRIAL GYRATIONS, 1953 - Tempera on Plexiglas. We advised you that at the time we only had the one photo and had ordered additional copies.

Enclosed you will find the two (2) additional copies which we ordered for you.

Mrs. Helpert sends her best regards.

Sincerely,

Murray H. Wax

MMW/me Enc: 2 photos

April 21, 1969

Longchamps Restaurant 230 Park Avenue New York, N. Y.

Attention: Mr. Slocumn

Gentlemen

This afternoon, Grasso Moving & Packing Company delivered seven (7) paintings, which you had on loan with you since October 16, 1968.

If you would refer to our Consignment Invoice, you will note that you were responsible for Insurance on all the works we lent.

When I arrived at the Gallery, late this afternoon, I found that the pictures had been returned (without any previous notice), having examined them carefully subsequently to check the condition in which they were returned.

The following had superficial damage, based no doubt on the temperature of Longchamps:

George Morris, PRECARIOUS BALANCE Jack Levine, THE OFFERING Stuart Davis, MEN AND MACHINES

I have communicated with our conservator, who is a specialist in American Art, and who does work for the Whitney Museum and us. She cannot examine the pictures until Saturday, when a written report in deplicate will be made, one copy for you to show your Insurance Company.

In addition, one of the frames on a Broderson and the mat on the Shahn need repair.

Sincerely yours,

EGH: fem



State of New Jersey DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Street Address
NEW JERSEY STATE MUSEUM
W. STATE STREET
TRENTON, NEW JERSEY

21 April 1969

Mailing Address
STATE OF NEW JERSEY
THE STATE MUSEUM
CULTURAL CENTER
TRENTON, N.J. 08828

Mrs. Edith Gregor Halpert Downtown Gallery 465 Park Avenue New York, New York

Dear Mrs. Halpert:

The State Museum is preparing a retrospective exhibition of the work of Ben Shahn to run from September 20 to November 16 of this year. The sudden death of the artist has now turned the exhibition into a memorial as well as a tribute.

It is our hope that the retrospective will be a comprehensive one dealing with Shahm's major expressions in painting, mural design, drawing and graphics. Our aim is to include approximately 125 works, all examples of Shahm at his finest. Two important mosaic murals, recently purchased by the Museum, will be exhibited for the first time.

Because of the important role you played in Shahn's career and life, we would be most grateful if you would agree to lend us two outstanding works in your collection:

BARTOLOMEO VENZETTI, 1931, Gouache, 14 1/2" x 11 1/2" WORLD'S GREATEST COMICS, 1946, Tempera, 35" x 48"

I think that without these paintings the exhibition could not truthfully live up to it's claim - the effort to show how distinguished an artist Shahn was.

The research and organization of the exhibition will combine the efforts of our curatorial staff and will be accompanied by an eighty-page catalogue including forty reproductions in black and white as well as a number of pages in color.

The State Museum is in a modern building located in New Jersey's new Cultural Complex and is fully controlled as to heat and humidity as well as protected by the latest fire protection equipment. There is twenty-four hour security service.

EGH spoke with Miss Chamberlain

June 19, 1969

-> Miss Betty Chamberlain -> Art Information Center 11 West 56th Street New York, New York

Dear Setty:

I have changed accountants and cannot recall whether I have sent you the usual check. Would you please be good enough to let me know if you have received it or not.

As you probably have heard, I have been quite ill and while I am in the care of an excellent doctor I still have gaps and lapses of memory. As a result, I have not been able to explain to our new employee how the stencils for the mailing lists work and how to keep them up to date.

This applied largely to the museum personnel who have switched from one organization to another. The numbers involved are numerous.

I hope that among your records you have the complete national list of museums and the names of the director as well as the curator of American art in each of these institutions. If so, I will be glad to pay for either Xerox or photostatic copies of the listings.

Do come in for a drink in the near future - before the gallery closes for the summer vacation. Just phone me so that we may make a specific date.

Best regards,

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May 26, 1969

Miss Ann Boyce Old Town Galleries 2501 San Diego Avenue San Diego, California 92110

Dear Miss Boyce:

Your letter of May 21st was received.

Please be advised that we did not have a catalogue for the exhibition, THE PERFORMING ARTS.

Thank you for your interest.

Sincerely,

Murray M. Wax

MMW/me

THE CORCORAN GALLERY OF ART

WASHINGTON, D. C. 20006

JAMES HARITHAS DIRECTOR OF THE GALLERY

May 27, 1969

202-AREA CODE 202

Mr. Murray Wax The Downtown Gallery 465 Park Avenue New York, New York 10022

Dear Murray:

This is to confirm our telephone coversation of May 21 in which we discussed the possibility of two of the Storrs works being acquired by Dr. and Mrs. Donald MacCollum of Apt. 19c, 1010 Mamorial Drive, Cambridge, Massacusetts.

The two works in question are: TETE A TETE, bronze, 1917 listed in your records at a price of \$1600 and OPPOSING FORMS, bronze plaque, at \$950.

As I mentioned it is Corcoran policy that we take a 10% commission on all sales which originate during an exhibition here. Consequently, according to your suggestion, we are planning to write to Dr. MacCollum and quote prices with a 10% increase on the ones listed by you.

Just for the record I should like to have a swritten confirmation of this arrangement before I can proceed to write to Dr. MacCollum,

Looking forward to hearing from you by return mail.

Sincerely,

Inga W. Heck

Assistant to the Director.

Public Relations.

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June 18, 1969

Miss Edith Halpert The Downtown Gallery 465 Park Avenue New York, N.Y.

Dear Miss Halpert:

Mr. Perutz sent me a note from Paris asking me to send you an assortment of stamps. I hope that you will be able to add to your collection from the enclosed stamps.

Yours sincerely,

Secretary to Mr. Perutz

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May 16, 1969

Mr. Soichi Sunami 27 West 15th Street New York, New York 10011

Dear Mr. Sunami:

A few days ago your son brought in a box of negatives to the Gallery.

Would you please be good enough to advise me what these were sent here for. Are they negatives belonging to The Downtown Gallery, or what? I would very much appreciate hearing from you regarding them so that we will know what to do with them.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Murray M. Wax

MMW/me

April 15, 1969

Mr. James Pilgrim Curator The Corcoran Gallery of Art Washington, D.C. 20006

Dear Jim:

Just a note to confirm our conversation on the phone today. As I told you, Ollendorff has picked up the paintings and the sculpture (14 oil paintings and 19 sculptures).

Enclosed you will find two (2) copies of the consignment for this Storrs Exhibition. Please sign and return the blue copies for our files, and retain the yellow copies for your own records. Attached to page two you will find a letter from Mrm. Helpert with some interesting information relating to the work entitled New York, c. 1925.

Also enclosed are the original copies of your loan agreements, duly signed.

You will recall that I told you that the drawings and prints will be sent to you as soon as they are properly identified and priced.

Our very best wishes for a very successful exhibi-

Sincerely,

Murray M. Wax

MMW/me Enclosures

P.S. Total Insurance Valuation is \$71,000.00

THE METROPOLITAN MUSEUM OF ART NEW YORK, N.Y. 10028

May 15, 1969

Mrs. Edith Gregor Helpert The Downtown Gallery 465 Park Avenue New York, New York

Dear Mrs. Halpert:

Enclosed please find loan forms for the two Stuart Davis paintings you have kindly consented to lend to our forthcoming exhibition.

Sincerely,

Kay Bearman Contemporary Arts

5/23/69 - Forms completed and sent back together with 1st page of Consignment. Note - Paintings to be picked up in Sept for exhibition. Hey will advise when They will advise when They will pick up. May 6, 1969

Rabbi Bernard S. Raekas Temple of Aaron 616 So. Mississippi River Blvd. St. Paul, Minnesota 55116

Dear Rabbi Raskası

Thank you for your recent letter regarding the Ben Shahn print.

Please be advise that by mutual agreement we have not represented Shahn's work for several years.

I am sorry that we cannot be of any help to you in this matter.

Sincerely,

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Mr. Jemes Harithes The Corceren Gallery of Art

7/2/69 - Page Two

Will you please write or phone collect about this eituation as I am terribly distressed about the matter and want to get this straightened out immediately. I must so off on a vacation trip very shortly and will not enjoy it unless it is settled the first such situation I have had in 42 years of business.

Best regards.

Sincerely,

EGH/man

cc. Mr. Shainswit Kronish, Lieb, Shainswit, Wiener and Hellman

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April 28, 1969

Mrs. Edith Gregor Halpert THE DOWNTOWN GALLERY 465 Park Avenue New York, N. Y. 10022

Dear Edith:

Thanks for your letter, and it is good to know that all, if difficult, is well. That is about where we all are.

I am flying in to New York a week from today, Monday, the 5th of May. I have a group of graduate students on my hands who will be running me ragged through Friday, a new experience for me, and a farewell one as this is the last term I teach (I go on and on with the Galleries). Then I go to the Cape for the weekend or so to see my mother and shall be back in New York for the opening of the Arp exhibition which I did for the Guggenheim. This is the 15th and 16th. It would be good if we could meet around Tuesday, the 13th, or Wednesday, the 14th. I shall be phoning you well before that.

Yours affectionately,

Frederick S. Wight

F2W: 1d

ARNOLDO MONDADORI EDITORE

SETTORE EDITORIALE RAGAZZI E CEAM

Verona June 24, 1969

Messrs The Downtown Gallery 465 Park Avenue NEW YORK, N.Y. 10022

Dear Sirs,

We refer to your letter dated June 16th and enclosed herewith please find the two proofs of Dove's and Demuth's illustrations so that you can identify the works.

Please also check if the captions are right.

Thanking you in advance and waiting for your prompt reply, we remain

Very truly yours,
Secretary to Dr. Marcolungo
(Garubbi G.)

dod. 0348-5-68

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of The American Lutheran Church

President

Columbus, Ohlo 43209



Dr. Edith Gregor Halpert, Director The Downtown Gallery 465 Park Avenue New York, New York 100227

Dear Dr. Halpert:

It was a very interesting experience to have you and Dr. Alpenfels as our honored guests and the recipients of honorary degrees on the occasion of the dedication of our Learning Center. The weather was unusually good—the PA system was unusually bad!

As I stated in my brief remarks after conferring your degree upon you, I believe you serve a very important and useful purpose in stimulating talented people to develop their abilities and produce works of art. One need not apologize for the mundane consideration of selling these products, being the link between the artist and the art patron.

On some occasion when I am in New York City I hope to visit your gallery. May you retain pleasant memories of your brief visit on our campus!

Cordially yours in HIS service,

H. L. Yockum, President

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THE CORCORAN GALLERY OF ART

WASHINGTON, D. C. 20006

JAMES HARITHAS DIRECTOR OF THE GALLERY

638-3211 AREA CODE 202

June 9, 1969

Mrs. Edith Gregor Halpert The Downtown Gallery 465 Park Avenue New York City, New York 10022

Dear Edith:

Thank you for your letter of June 4. So sorry I missed you. I always enjoy being with you.

As far as the context of your letter is concerned regarding the Storrs material, please be advised that we will follow the procedures laid out in your letter of June 4, 1969. The sales will be paid to you directly and, in addition, all works which we received from you will be returned to you. Please be informed that we will not in any way deviate from this policy.

We have received letters from Mrs. Booz's lawyers, asking that the works be held here or sent to Chicago. I am communicating to the lawyers that we are returning the works directly to you, according to our loan agreement.

The show was very successful, and there was a great amount of interest.

I want you to understand that we really have your interests at heart. I look forward to seeing you soon.

With best regards,

Jam

James Harithas Director THE STATEMENT DOWNTOWN May 13, 1969

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465 PARK AVENUE NEW YORK, N. Y. 10022 Telephone: Plaza 3-3707

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April 16, 1969

Dr. Yochum Capital University Columbus, Ohio

Dear Dr. Yochum:

I have just received my round trip ticket to Columbus and I can now advise you when I will arrive.

The plane (Flight #17-TWA) leaves Kennedy Airport Saturday, April 26th at 7,00 p.m. and is due in Columbus at 8,50 p.m.

I look forward to the pleasure of meeting you and your associates.

Sincerely,

EGH/man

June 4. 1969

Mr. James Haritas, Director The Corcoran Gallery of Art Washington, D.C. 20006

Dear Jim:

As you know, we sent an invoice to the Corcoran for the two Storrs works which were sold - at the request of Inga Heck who explained that we retain our original price as agreed, and that you would charge a 10% addition to the client.

I also asked her during our telephone conversation to have you please phone me as I have something important to discuss with you and I believe that Nathaly also called to remind you.

You will recall, no doubt, that you signed a copy of a letter I mailed you on April 19. (Your signature is dated April 22.) This letter made it very clear that all of the unsold items be returned to us as lenders including both of the categories of thems that shelping to Mrs. Boos and those that were borrowed and listed as "private Collection", and that all sales would be paid to us directly and we would pay what is due Mrs. Boos as we usually do under these circumstances - upon receipt of payment from you.

As you know, Danenberg has been calling and communicating with all our consigners suggesting that they move to his gallery and has also suggested to other dealers that they do the same. This will no doubt continue indefinitely despite the legal completion of the state of affairs.

Since I have been unable to reach you directly, I will await your reply to this letter and certainly would appreciate a phone call (person to person) at the Gallery PL. 3-3707- or - at my apartment after working hours PL. 3-3951.

May 15, 1969

Miss Kathryn E. Gamble
Director
The Montclair Art Museum
South Mountain & Bloomfield Aves.
Montclair, New Jersey 07042

Dear Miss Gamble:

It was indeed a pleasure to speak with you on the telephone yesterday and to learn of the board of directors favorable decision to purchase Arthur Dove's painting entitled CARNIVAL, 1935.

Enclosed here you will find a copy of the Dove biography which Mrs. Helpert compiled and a listing of the shows in which this painting was exhibited, together with the invoice for the purchase. Please be good enough to sign and return the blue copy for our files.

Mrs. Halpert and I look forward to meeting you sometime when you are in New York and can drop into the Gallery for a visit.

Best regards to you and to Dr. & Mrs. Luria.

Sincerely,

Murray M. Wax

MMW/me

Enclosures

LENDER'S COPY

LOAN AGREEMENT

THE METROPOLITAN MUSEUM OF ART

Fifth Avenue and 82nd Street New York, New York 10028 Telephone: (212) TR 9-5500

Cable: METMUSART

EXHIBITION:

NEW YORK PAINTING AND SOULPTURE: 1940-1970 Ootober 18, 1969 - February

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September 1, 1969

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Please return signed form, any photographic material or other attachments to The Registrer, Metropolitan Museum of Art.

May 5, 1969

Mr. Joseph Tanenbaum 66 Deepdale Drive Great Neck, New York

Dear Mr. Tanenbaum,

Mrs. Kuniyoshi has asked me to give her a complete report of what is duswon sales made for her.

We found that your purchase was made on May 1967- just two years ago, and that you still have an open balance of \$2900.

Won't you please attend tomthis shortly, as we are responsible to the Artists or Estate and cannot afford to advance the money due.

I hope you will come in shortly, but meanwhile will you kindly send me a check.

Sincerely Yours.

May 14, 1969

Mr. Arthur Freeman 965 Fifth Avenue New York, New York

Dear Arthur:

I want to thank you for the very pleasant evening I had with you and Ethel. Now, I hope that we can have additional nice evenings in the future + and perhaps I can coax you and Ethel to come out to my house at Newtown when I open it up for the summer.

So, will you please be a good boy and send me a check for \$956.19. This will settle the Weber account which has been open for so many years and will get the lawyers and the Weber family "off my back".

As I promised you during the evening, I will find some real prize babies in my inventory to show you bargains and rare examples which I have been hoarding these many years and which have been considerably reduced in quantity since I let some of the estates go - and also have promised a collection to Jerusalem.

With very best regards to you and Ethel,

As aver.

EGH/mm

Enclosure: Statement

THE CORCORAN GALLERY OF ART

WASHINGTON, D. C. 20006

ALDUS HIGGINS CHAPIN

EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT OF THE TRUSTEES

AND CHAIRMAN, BOARD OF GOVERNORS

May 23, 1969

METHOPOLITAN 8-3211 AREA CODE 202

Dr. and Mrs. Donald MacCollum 1010 Memorial Drive Apt. 19c Cambridge, Massachusetts.

Dear Dr. and Mrs. MacCollum:

I understand from our registrar, Miss Martha Morris, that you are interested in acquiring two of the works in the John Storrs exhibition.

These are

TETE A TETE, 1917, bronze, $11\frac{1}{2}^{11} \times 11\frac{1}{2}^{11} \times 2\frac{1}{2}^{11}$

\$1800

OPPOSING FORMS, Bronze plaque, 102"x 9 3/4"

\$1050

As you probably know, the exhibition closes here at the Corcoran on June 9. Would it be possible to let me know if you are interested in both or either of the two works at your earliest convenience?

Locking forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

Inga W. Heck

Assistant to the Director,

Public Relations.

6/9/69: When we returned from our vacation and measured the spot that either of the above works would occupy we found that it would be completely inadequate; therefore we are not interested in acquiring either one of them, although we liked them very much indeed.

Yours sincerely,

Donald W. MacCollum. M. D.

June 20, 1969

Mr. George Perutz 11405 St. Michaels Drive Dallas, Texas

Dear Mr. Perutzi

I have just received your card about half an hour ago and I gathered that you had an interesting trip - but regret that you did not have time to stop off in New York because it's always very pleasant to see you and Sydney. I look forward to your visit when you are through with your foreign travel.

I have the lists of your purchases before me and before we arrange for shipment I would suggest that you follow the routine of placing insurance on these items as I believe I told you previously - - our insurance coverage ends at the "portal" and every purchaser must protect the work of art from the moment it leaves the gallery.

Since you are leaving shortly again, don't you think dit would be a good idea to hold up the shipment until you return to Texas permanently. We will pay the currently very high packing charges and will ask Budworth to ship via Emery Air Freight as you suggested. The latter expense will be charged to you (I'm referring to the air freight bill).

If the biographies we gave to you do not include all the artists listed, please let me know and we will forward to you the missing ones. Incidentally, it occurred to me that you might be interested to know that the Kuniyoshi Retrospective Exhibition which opened at the Gainseville, Florida Museum was forwarded directly to the Smithsonian Institution where is is now on vigy. There have also been additions made on the others, and if at some future time we have the revised

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May 7, 1969

Mr. John Eastman, Jr., Director Skowhegan School of Painting & Sculpture 331 East 68th Street New York, New York 10020

Dear Jack:

Much as I would like to attend your various ceremonies, it is utterly impossible because I am tied
down an average of eighteen hours a day due to a
shortage of help which is becoming more prevalent
in New York. In addition to all this, I have been
very ill and am terefore staying put for the .time
being.

I hope you all have a grand time. Please give my best regards to my many friends in Skowhegan.

As ever.

EGH/mose

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110 EAST 59TH STREET, NEW YORK, N. Y. 10022

July 3, 1969

Mrs.Edith G. Halpert Downtown Gallery 465 Park Avenue New York, New York 10022

Dear Mrs. Halpert:

We are preparing for publication a book on MODERN EMERICAN PAINTING AND SCULPTURE by Sam Hunter, and request permission to reproduce in color:

Arthur Dove

ABSTRACTION NO. 2, 1910

oil on canvas

9 x 10*

Georgia O'Keene

Light Coming on the Plains III, 1917 watercolor 9 x 10"

We will be needing color transparencies and would like to know if any are available to borrow, or if we might have our photographer get in touch with you for an appointment.

We would very much appreciate it if you would sign and return one copy of this letter for our files, and let us know about the possibility of obtaining ektachrones.

Thank you for your attention and your courtesy.

Yours sincerely,

(Mrs.) Barbara Adler

* Signed (EGH)

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April 30, 1969

Miss Enid K. Dillon 8162 Kirkwood Drive Los Angeles, California 90046

Dear Miss Dillon:

I received your letter this morning and I was rather surprised that you were giving up this painting CATS, FISH MARKET, LISBON by Mossis Broderson. However, if you find it impossible to carry out the original plan, you may return the picture to us - retaining the full amount of \$1,600.00 on your insurance floater until the painting reaches us. You will, of course, have to pay for the packing which has to be done professionally, just as we did, protecting the picture inside the crate so that it cannot be damaged enroute, and ship it to us prepaid.

At some future time, if the stock market goes up. I trust you will have occassion to make a trip to New York and pay us a visit. It will be nice to see you.

Sincerely.

EGH/mm

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OLD TOWN GALLERIES

2501 SAN DIEGO AVENUE, SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA 92110 . 296-2598

May 21, 1969

Gentlemen:

Please send send catalog of exhibition as advertised in the April issue of The Art Gallery. Thank you,

ann Boyce

April 30, 1969

Mr. Thomas J. McCormick Director Vassar College Art Gallery Poughkeepsie, New York

Dear Mr. McCormick:

Just as I started to check our records, a trucking service arrived and delivered to us all of the Sheeler paintings which had been shown at the Smithsonian Institution, followed by the Philadelphia Art Museum and then ended at the Whitney Museum.

I was here all alone at the moment and checked in the returns and I was delighted to see that ROCKS AT STEICHEN'S was among the returns.

Because large portions of the show wassassembled with the aid of museums and private collections, very few paintings or drawings arrived - and I was delighted to see ROCKS AT STEICHEN'S as it was one of Sheeler's great favorites (Steichen was a dear friend of his and a neighbor). Also, it was one of his rare conte crayon drawings, on which he spentimuch more time than on on his paintings because of the shadings and tones which are more difficult with conte crayon than with colors of paint. It was my privilege to see him working on this on several weekends I spent with the Sheelers.

While the prices of the remaining Sheeler's in the widow's possession have advanced considerably (because of the small number available) and because of his constant following among the artists (which pleases me more than any other category of lookers), since you are one of my favorite museums, I am bringing the price back down to the original price of \$3,000.00 net.

If you wish, we will send this picture to you so that your committee will have an opportunity to participate.

June 27, 1969

Mr. James Harithas, Director The Corcoran Gallery of Art Washington, D.C. 20006

Dear Mr. Harithas:

Mrs. Halpert has been quite ill and has not been able to be in touch with you relative to the return of the various John Storrs works that are to be sent to the Downtown Gallery. She understands that all items not marked "Private Collection" are being returned to Mrs. Boog directly.

The following are the items on the consignment, dated April 15, 1969, which are to be returned here:

- MODERN MADONNA, 1918 Terre Cotte Polygromed 11"h.
- PIETA, 1920 Marble Polychromed 11" h.
 - · PANEL WITH MIRROR INSERTS, 1921 Stone polychromed 26"h.
 - NEW YORK, c. 1925 Bronze & Marble 123" h.
- * STUDY IN ARCHITECTURAL FORM, 1927 Steel 29th.
- · STUDY IN ARCHITECTURAL FORM, 1927 -Combined Metals 124" h.
- . ABSTRACTION, 1929 Bronze 19th.
- * Note: This work should have been marked Private Collection

Would you please be good enough to arrange for the return of these items at once so that there will be no mix-up, and so that her mind can be at ease relative to this matter.

Best regards,

Sincerely,

MMW/me

Murray M. Wax

June 29, 1969

Mrs. Edith Halpern The Downtown Gallery 465 Park Avenue New York, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Halpern:

Harry Mintz suggested that perhaps you might be able to provide the information I am seeking.

At an auction back in 1948, I acquired a water color by William Gropper, an oil by Frank Kleinholz, and a silk screen print by Tromka. I recently took out new household insurance and this time decided to schedule our modest art collection. Perhaps you could tell me how to get in touch with the foregoing artists or the galleries representing them in order to ascertain the present value of the works I own.

Any help you can give me will be very much appreciated.

Sincerely,

Marion L. Franc

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The packing and transportation cost will, of course, be paid by the Museum. The Museum will insure any loan under its own fine arts policy or will, if the lending institution wishes to maintain its own insurance, pay the premium for the period of the loan.

If it is possible for you to cooperate with us on this exhibition, we would appreciate your completing and returning the catalogue-loan forms which are enclosed along with a black and white photograph (ideally, 8 x 10) and two 35mm. color slides if possible. Should any photography costs be incurred, please have the bill sent to the Museum.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to telephone our Arts Curator, Mrs. Leah Sloshberg. The Museum will greatly appreciate your cooperation in making this exhibition possible.

I am.

Cordially yours,

Kenneth W. Prescott Director, State Musuem

KMP:dlc

cc: Mrs. Sloshberg

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Poughkeepsie · New York

April 24, 1969

Mrs Edith G. Halpert The Downtown Gallery 465 Park Ave New York, N Y

Dear Mrs. Halpert:

Rocksat Steichen's is. W continue to be delighted with our Steel Croton.

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At the moment all the Bryner Marins and O'Keefes are at the framers but we might consider parting with one or so of them or some of the other things she left us such as the Kunyioshi watercolor.

Hope to see you one of these days.

Sincerely,

Thomas J McCormick

Director

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April 24, 1969

Mrs. D. L. Wood P.O. Box 894 Riverview, Florida

Dear Mrs. Wood:

Thank you for your post card of April 20th which arrived today.

Please be advised that we no longer represent the works of Georgia O'Keeffe, and therefore are unable to help you with your request.

Miss O'Keeffe has been handling her own work for some time now. Perhaps if you contact her directly in Abique, New Mexico she will be able to aid you.

Sincerely,

Murray M. Wax

MMW/me

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June 10, 1969

The Downtown Gallery 465 Park Avenue (57th Street) New York, New York

Gentlemen:

This letter may come as a rather strange request, but I think that when I explain the cirucumstances that prevail here in Claremont, you will find it to be a rather necessary one.

No doubt because you operate a gallery, you have a keen interest in promoting fine arts. We too have a strong feeling about the arts, but unfortunately, we have no gallery. The closest structure we have to a gallery is our public library, which, indeed is now being used as a gallery.

What we have in mind, then, is to prevail upon your facilities to help in the growth of the arts in Claremont. If you feel that any artists, in any medium, would like to show arts in small New England communities, I am sure that we can oblige you by providing room. If only we could develop such a program, what growth it would mean for arts in northern New England.

Perhaps, one other way we could develop this program is by your company loaning works to this library. Of course, transportation, etc., would be handled by us. If you so desire, we could even sell the works, asking no commission.

Whatever, as you can see, this is simply a letter asking you your opinion concerning such a program, and we should enjoy any comments, at all.

Hoping to hear from you shortly, we are,

Sincerely

Juseph Creen

Secretary

Library Arts Council of Claremont

JG/pjk

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June 30,

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465 PARK AVENUE NEW YORK, N. Y. 10022 Telephone: Place 3-3707

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Mr. Sam Hunter

451 West End Avenue

New York, New York 10024

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Arthur G. Dove

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DONALD MORRIS GALLERY, INC.

April 12, 1969

Mrs. Edith Halpert The Downtown Gallery 465 Park Avenue New York, N.Y. 10022

Dear Edith:

After a lot of indecision on the part of my clients who are interested in a Stuart Davis, they have at long last decided not to take any of the three I offered them. Am enclosing the three photographs with many thanks for all your kind cooperation.

Sincerely,

DONALD F. MORRIS

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After lining, painting will be mounted on a Lebron stretcher, facing removed, and the surface cleaned. I do not know at this point just how we will handle the background layer that appears to be overpainted. Further notes on this and subsequent steps in the restoration will be given with the final statement on the painting.

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June 14, 1969

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THE CORCORAN GALLERY OF ART

WASHINGTON, D. C. 20006

JAMES HARITHAS DIRECTOR OF THE GALLERY

638-3211 AREA CODE 202

April 23, 1969

Mrs. Edith G. Halpert, Director The Downtown Gallery 465 Park Avenue New York, New York 10022

Dear Edith:

We wish to thank you for all of the help you have given the Gallery in the organization of the John Storrs exhibition. In fact, if my memory serves me correctly, it was your suggestion initially which caused us to undertake this important exhibition. Our enthusiasm has grown accordingly over these months devoted to Storrs' work.

We also wish to thank you for all the time and effort which you have given to the Curator, James Pilgrim. Without your unusual dedication to the task as well as your generosity in making your gallery, your files and your expertise available to him, the exhibition could not have been realized. I look forward to seeing you at the opening and thanking you personally for your help.

Warmest regards,

James Harithas 1

Director

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